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(Associated Press.)

Hamilton, March 9.—The depositors of the defunct Stinson Bank have appointed a committe to take immediate steps toward obtaining a full and correct record of all properties held by Stinson, and look into all mortgages, their amounts and date on which they were registered, with a view to recovering the loss sustained through the suspension of the bank.

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WERE REJECTED BY LORD SALISBURY

The Proposals Include Nothing More Than Was Offered Prior to the British Ultimatum--Kruger Unable to Prevent Retreat of Boers.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9, 5:10 p.m.—It was learned late this afternoon that the peace rumors had been founded on fact, that President Kruger had appealed to Lord Salisbury for a cessation of hostilities, offering at length, by cable, the terms which he was willing to accept.

These, however, were not taken seriously, as they included practically nothing more than what the Transvaal government offered prior to the issuing of the British ultimatum.

Official circles here regarded the propositions as merely a ruse for the Boers to gain time, and did not consider that President Kruger was yet ready to consider the sweeping demands which Great Britain would make as reimbursement for the loss of life and great expenditure.

It was understood that President Kruger's advances had met with an emphatic rejection at the hands of Lord Salisbury, who was believed to have said that no such attempt to retain the independence of the Transvaal should be considered for a moment by the British government.

ANXIOUS FOR PEACE.

London, March 9.—From various quarters comes signs of the possibility of peace in South Africa being shortly within the bounds of practical politics.

All the dispatches from Lord Roberts's headquarters, including those of the commander-in-chief himself, indicate the lack of a guiding spirit among the Boers and individual demoralization, portending disintegration unless speedily stemmed.

Tired of Fighting.

The flight of the burghers from Poplar Grove, according to all accounts, was wholly inglorious.

A Times dispatch from Poplar Grove, under yesterday's date, goes so far to assert that the Boer route is complete, that the submission of the Free State is being demanded by the burghers from their unwilling president, and it is expected that its submission will be made within a week.

The correspondents add: "Probably the Boers' wisest course was flight, but it was most undignified, and is certain to produce consternation at Bloemfontein. There is a growing outcry against any further identification of the Free State with the Transvaal's interests."

Kruger's Speech.

Dispatches from the Boer camp at Glencoe, via Lorenzo Marquez, depict President Kruger as donning a bandolier, seizing a rifle and inviting volunteers to accompany him as he wished to have a shot at the enemy himself. President Kruger is quoted as having declared in his address to the troops that he "did not know whether arbitration or intervention would end the struggle, but it would end quickly, within the next month, he strongly believed."

The Advance to Bloemfontein.

In the meanwhile, the British are not staying their advance. Lord Roberts has moved ten miles nearer Bloemfontein with the view of seizing and utilizing the railroad. With this he could reach the Free State capital in three or four days, and begin repairing the railway southward to meet the British advance from Cape Colony, which is expected to be hastened as soon as Gen. White takes control.

Retreat from Cape Colony.

The British occupied Jamestown unopposed on Thursday, March 8th, and the Boers are reported to be retreating beyond Aliwal North, so Cape Colony is practically clear of armed Boers.

Reinforcements for Roberts.

Reinforcements from Natal are going to Lord Roberts. Gen. Warren's division and some artillery have already been ordered to join the commander-in-chief, who is preparing for all eventualities, including possible desperate opposition to his crossing the Vaal river, and the necessity of the siege of Pretoria.

Preparing for Siege.

Thousands of natives are reported to be employed at the Transvaal capital in the construction of defensive works, concerning which such secrecy is maintained that no one is allowed to walk or drive on the outskirts of the town.

Redmond's Statement Challenged.

Mr. John Redmond's speech in the House of Commons yesterday does not meet with unqualified approval in Ireland, whence the Irish Transvaal committee telegraphed to Mr. Redmond: "We challenge you to come to Dublin and repeat in public the statement you made in the House of Commons in the name of the Irish people."

Inspection of Troops.

The Prince of Wales this morning inspected Paget's Horse and Dunraven's sharpshooters, attached to the Imperial Yeomanry, prior to their departure for South Africa.

BLUEJACKETS AT DURBAN.

Durban, March 8.—The naval brigade from Ladysmith arrived to-day in command of Capt. Lambton. They number about 200 and were enthusiastically received. The railway station was lined with men from H.M.S. Terrible, and the meeting of the comrades caused many touching scenes.

When the gunners, who played such an important part in the defence of Ladysmith, marched down the street headed by the band and flags of the Terrible, carrying the tattered Union Jack of H.M.S. Powerful, which had flown throughout the siege of Ladysmith, the cheering was tumultuous. The crowd which assembled was immense.

Lunch was served in a shed adjacent to the railway and the men ate heartily. The majority of them looked well, but showed signs of the rough work and fatigue they had undergone. Their uniforms bore many tokens of wear and tear.

After lunch, headed by Capt. Percy Scott, the naval commander at Durban, the men marched to the point of embarkation for Simonstown.

ROUT OF BOERS COMPLETE.

London, March 9.—The war office has received the following from Lord Roberts:

"Poplar Grove, Friday morning.—Presidents Kruger and Steyn were both at the fight on March 7th, and did all in their power to rally their troops.

"The rout, however, was complete, the men declaring that they could not stand against the British artillery and such a formidable force of cavalry.

TO JOIN FIRST CONTINGENT.

Ottawa, March 8.—The government received a cable from the war office this afternoon accepting 100 men to recruit the first Canadian contingent. It was suggested by Canada to send 200, but only one per cent. of the regiment was accepted. They will go forward with the Monterey, which carries Strathcona's Horse. Capt. Carpenter, London school, will go with them.

Another cable says that Capt. Grant, 48th Highlanders, Toronto, and Private Irwin, Quebec, are seriously ill with enteric fever.

Recruiting Opened To-Day.

Montreal, March 9.—The recruiting of 125 officers and men to take the places of Canadian members of the first contingent who have died from disease, killed or wounded in South Africa, began to-day. Recruiting stations are confined to Eastern Canada. No difficulty is expected in obtaining recruits, as applications are pouring in.

Anxious to Fight.

Toronto, March 9.—Jos. Welch, a boy of 14 years, of Clinton, Ont., who left that place with the intention of joining Strathcona's Horse as a bugler at Montreal, has been stopped here and sent home at the instance of his parents. Welch had a school-bag full of sandwiches slung by his side and was ready to stand a long siege.

Capt. Mason Improving.

Toronto, March 9.—Capt. Mason, the Canadian who was wounded in the battle of Paardeberg, has cabled his father here that the wound is in his left shoulder, the bone being slightly injured. He hopes to be able to regain his regiment in a fortnight or so.

The Montreal Demonstration.

Montreal, March 9.—Despite the effort of Mayor Prefontaine and Principal Peterson of McGill University, to have the students of Laval join the former in the demonstration to the Strathcona Horse, the latter have positively refused to be identified in any way with the demonstration.

"Bogus News."

Berlin, March 9.—Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal diplomatic agent, has issued a protest from Brussels against "bogus news" purporting to emanate from him. He singles out a prominent Berlin paper as an offender.

The Bordeaux Riots.

Paris, March 9.—M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs, is said to have written a letter to Sir Edmund J. Monson, the British ambassador, expressing regret at the Bordeaux disturbances on Wednesday, and promising that the necessary measures will be taken to punish the offenders and to prevent a repetition of such an incident.

The War Loan.

London, March 9.—The bankers of London met the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, at the Bank of England this afternoon, to discuss the terms of the war loan which will be advertised to-morrow.

London, March 9, 6.06 p.m.—The amount of the new war loan will be £30,000,000. The interest will be at 3½ per cent. and the bonds will be redeemable at par May 5th, 1910. The issue price is £98 10s.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Premier Introduces a Bill Placing the Mounted Police on Same Footing as the Volunteers.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 9.—Col. Domville introduced a bill to-day respecting the Northern Commercial Telegraph Co. Sir Wilfrid Laurier introduced a bill to amend the Northwest Mounted Police Act. He explained that the bill provided that the provisions of the act should apply to all members of the force who were absent in South Africa.

Sir Charles Tupper thought the time had arrived when the government should make a statement as to what arrangements had been made for the representation of Canada at the Paris Exposition. This was all the more necessary because it was said the Minister of Public Works was going to represent Canada, and already an important member of the civil service had left his work here and gone there.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he would make a statement in a few days.

The House went into committee on Mr. Fielding's bill, appropriating two million dollars for sending the contingents to South Africa.

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Dominion Parliament

A Lively Debate on the Question of Pay of the Canadian Contingent.

The Resolution Passes Through Committe and is Finally Reported.

Mr. Clarke Wallace and Mr. Tarte Exchange Compliments Across the Floor.

Ottawa, March 1.—Matters connected with the militia and the Canadian contingent occupied the exclusive attention of the House of Commons to-day.

Contingent Appointments.

Lieut.-Col. Prior (Victoria) asked:—"What system of selection, if any, has been followed by the Minister of Militia in appointing officers to the special service contingents sent to South Africa? Have military knowledge, efficiency and physical fitness been the only qualifications considered? Has each military district been allowed to send a like proportion of officers and men in comparison with the total strength of the force in said district, and so far as applications for such positions were received?"

The Minister of Militia in reply said that the chief object held in view in making selection was fitness, and to this end the most careful inquiry was made, and character also entered into the consideration. The third question was answered in the affirmative, so far as the different sections were able to supply the requirements of the contingent, and the officers and men of the particular arm required. Lieut.-Col. Prior was also informed that each province contributed men as follows to the first contingent:

	Officers.	Men.
Ontario	18	377
Quebec	16	240
New Brunswick	3	106
Nova Scotia	3	131
Manitoba	1	33
British Columbia	2	61
P. E. I.	1	30

Mr. Foster asked: "What is the purpose in view of selecting officers of the Canadian militia to undergo a course of instruction in the duties of general staff at the military college, Kingston? (2) What is the basis upon which the selection is made? (3) What are the names and standing of the officers originally selected for the staff course now going on, and the date of notification? (4) What changes were thereafter made, and for what reasons?"

Dr. Borden replied as follows: (1) For the purpose of promoting higher military education, of preparing officers for positions of command and for staff duties when required. (2) Suitability for promotion, capacity for staff duties and the probability of their being required to act on the staff generally, or at the royal schools of instruction, in replacing officers selected for active service. The Queen's regulations do not admit over the age of 30 to the staff course in England. (3) Lieut.-Cols. W. W. White, W. E. Hodgins, A. Roy, G. E. A. Jones, D. McL. Vince, H. McLaren, Majors J. C. Galloway, W. G. Mutton and W. S. Smith. They were notified in orders January 20th, 1900, without the authority of the ministry. (4) Of the officers named in paragraph 3, Lieut.-Cols. Vince and White are removed from the list, chiefly on account of age and because they had retired from active command. Capt. Mutton was struck off the list at his own request. Capt. Taylor was added to fill vacancy. Lieut. Webster was put on and retired without instruction or authority from the minister.

Mr. Ellis (St. John) asked if, in any steps towards reorganizing the militia system, the ambulance service would be strengthened.

The Minister of Militia replied that the regimental establishment for the current year provided for bearer companies and four field hospitals, the organization of which was being proceeded with. It was the intention of the government to ask authority to provide for additional bearer companies and field hospitals.

Dr. Borden, replying to Mr. Gilmour (East Middlesex), said that a scheme formulating a pension system for officers and men of the permanent corps and of the headquarters and district staff, who are not under the civil service act, was under consideration.

A Soldiers' Monument.

Mr. Taylor (South Leeds) asked: Is it the intention of the government to place a sum in the estimates for the purpose of erecting a monument in the capital in memory of the Canadian volunteers who have fallen or may fall on the field of battle in South Africa in defence of the empire?

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in reply, said that unfortunately the war is not yet over, though the successes which have lately attended Her Majesty's arms—the last of which was the relief of Ladysmith—(cheers)—have brought the end within measurable distance. The government believe that so long as the war lasts all our energies should be bent upon prosecuting it, and when the war is over the government will be prepared to remember not merely the dead but the living as well. (Renewed cheers.)

The Premier stated, in reply to Mr. Casey, that the government had no official knowledge whether Sir Robert G. W. Herbert was Acting Under Secretary of the Colonial Office, but he understood that official had been superannuated, and had been recalled a few days ago to replace some one who was ill. The government was informed that he was the same Sir R. G. W. Herbert who is a director of the Eastern and South Africa Telegraph Company, and chairman of the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company.

The Premier, in reply to Mr. McMullen, said that the time during which farmers would be permitted to purchase binder twine from Kingston penitentiary has been extended to March 20th.

Insurance on the Canadians.

Sir Charles Tupper, before the orders of the day were called, read a message from the Canadian office of the Ocean Accident & Insurance Company, transmitting a cable from the directors, authorizing the payment of death claims on the Canadians killed, and at the same time expressing admiration of the loyal and gallant conduct of the Canadians. Sir Charles referred to a dispatch, published in Montreal and Toronto, stating that Mr. Chamberlain had asked the Australian colonies if they were prepared to furnish more troops to replace Imperial troops in the event of the latter being required elsewhere, and asked if the Canadian government had received a similar request.

The Premier—The government have received no such communication.

Sir Charles Tupper—I am glad to hear it, and I am in hopes that the dispatch which has gained currency is without foundation.

In reply to Mr. McNeill, the Premier said he was not in a position to make any statement in regard to the replacing of the 100th Regiment at Halifax, by Canadian militia.

Mr. Bourassa (Labelle) read a statement made by Mr. Goschen in the Imperial parliament regarding the formation of a naval reserve in Canada, and asked for a statement from the government.

The Premier said he could not give an answer on the spot without having had notice.

Hoisting the Flag.

Mr. Foster read a telegram from Bathurst, N. S., complaining that the flag was not floating over the public buildings in honor of the British victories.

The Minister of Public Works replied that he had given orders that morning to all officers all over the Dominion to raise the flag.

Sir Charles Tupper hoped the order would be obeyed in Montreal. He had received a telegram on Saturday stating that there was no flag upon the postoffice.

Mr. Tarte said he had not given any general orders until that morning, and in the past it had never been the custom to raise the flag without orders from Ottawa.

Mr. Russell's Speech.

Mr. Russell (Halifax) began by referring to the speeches of Messrs. Bourassa and Monet as speeches from which he differed on almost every point, but which were entirely creditable to those gentlemen. He deplored the thought that any tyranny of opinion in this country should ever prevent the expression of opinions, no matter how out of accord with the majority of the people, so long as they were presented in fair and moderate terms. He showed that in their contention as to the impropriety of the Dominion taking part in a foreign war they had the high sanction of the leader of the opposition, who on various occasions had propounded exactly the same doctrine, and whose writings and speeches furnished a perfect armory of weapons with which those members could defend their position in this respect. The leader of the opposition had been in persistent and violent antagonism to other members of the Imperial Federation League on this question. When Colonel Denison two years ago had argued that Canada had not been doing her duty, and should do something by way of direct contribution in support of Imperial burdens, Sir Charles had vehemently denounced him and had emphatically repudiated the idea that we should do anything of the kind. This was in line with his first utterance on the subject in which he had asked why Canada should contribute a penny or a soldier to fight beyond the seas, and had argued that we were not called on to discharge any duties in defence of the empire, except to defend the part of it in which we live. This was the very ground taken by Messrs. Bourassa and Monet, and it was cruel and heartless in Sir Charles, because he had become a convert to a different opinion, to turn upon his political children and rend them because they could not make the same lightning change in their opinions he had undergone. Where were the howling patriots at the present day, when the leader of the opposition years ago offered a brigade of Canadian soldiers at the cost of the Imperial exchequer? Now the Dominion must throw its money at the head of the Colonial Secretary, whether he wants it or not. Then they could not afford even a brass farthing for the support of the Canadian brigade. Dr. Russell justified the course which the government had followed in going to the assistance of the motherland. He discussed fully the questions connected with the South African war, and said there would always have been a lingering doubt which would have seriously embarrassed the conscience of the English people had it not been for the insane ultimatum of Kruger, which made the war a war of defence in every sense of the term. It would have been criminal in the leader of the government to move in a matter involving a usurpation of the functions of parliament and an anticipation of the vote of the House of Commons till he was convinced that he had the support, not only of an overwhelming majority, but of the practical unanimity of the people of Canada. He closed with a reference to the celebrated prediction of Bismarck, that in South Africa Briton would find the grave of the empire, expressing his belief that, on the contrary, she would find her glorious re-birth, quoting the great sonnet of Wordsworth:

"It is not to be thought of that the flood
Of British freedom, which to the open sea
Of the world's praise of dark antiquity
Hath flowed with pomp of waters unwithstood,
That this most famous stream in bogs and sands
Should perish and to evil and to good
Be lost forever. In our halls is hung
Armory of the invincible knights of old;
We must be free who speak the tongue,
That Shakespeare spoke, the faith and morals hold
Which Milton held; in everything we are sprung
Of the earth's first blood, have titles manifold."

Under those manifold titles the people of the motherland, he said, go forward, and the people of Canada, by their side, through what battles and struggles, through what sorrows and afflictions, through what agony and bloody sweat, forward from victory to victory, until the banners of England are set upon the battlements of Pretoria, as the symbol and guarantee to all peoples and kindreds and tribes and tongues in that great South African continent of British freedom and British justice, those noblest words of the English language, those noblest achievements of British political genius and military valor.

Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Bennett (East Simcoe) charged the Minister of Public Works with being responsible for the delay in sending the contingent, and for the situation of which the opposition complained. The Premier had been, he said, the first man to go out of his way to ridicule the proposal which was then before the people, to send a contingent, and he quoted the interview with Sir Wilfrid published in the Globe in proof of his assertion. Mr. Bennett also suggested that an apology was due the author of the article in the Canada Military Gazette, which was criticised in that interview, in which he also traced the hand of the Minister of Public Works. Mr. Bennett then quoted from La Patrie, to show that the Minister of Public Works, whom he held responsible for the utterances of that paper, had denounced members of the cabinet as criminal cowards because they had since taken the action which they then condemned. Mr. Bennett said that on the 7th October the Globe was taking the ground that parliament should be called, but the Premier was studiously silent in his speeches in Chicago on the important question which was then agitating all classes in Canada, and if the Premier would admit how many cipher telegrams reached him in Chicago from members of his cabinet and party in connection with the matter it would be seen that his was not a bed of roses. Mr. Bennett spoke of the seething condition of public opinion against the inaction of the government, and described the representations that were made to the Premier in his passage through Ontario on his return to Ottawa, and pointed out that subsequently, notwithstanding the statement of the Premier, a contingent was sent, and yet parliament was not called. Two currents of public opinion were apparent in Quebec, and he complimented Messrs. Bourassa and Monet upon the honesty of their intentions. Mr. Tarte, he said, had insisted upon the reservation being placed in the orders in council, but it was not the reservation of the people of Canada, who were willing that this action should form a precedent. The statement of the Premier that the government were forced by public opinion was concurred in by Mr. Bennett, who said that their action was forced by the Conservative press and Conservative leader. Not only in Ontario, but in Quebec, Mr. Bennett declared, the Liberals were determined to set race against race. This was the case in East Simcoe, where there was a large number of French-Canadians, who live on terms of amity with their fellow-countrymen, but whenever there was a general election the Premier's friend, Mr. Charles Marcel, and others, were sent from Quebec to raise race and religious prejudices.

The motion that the Speaker leave the chair was then carried, and the House went into committee upon the resolution.

Soldiers' Wives.

After recess the discussion of the resolution was resumed in committee. Mr. Foster asked what arrangements had been made with regard to the allowances to the wives of married men on the contingent. He understood that the British government intended to treat our soldiers in every respect the same as the British soldiers, and he presumed the regulations with reference to these allowances would apply to the wives of the Canadians.

Dr. Borden said no arrangement had been made with the Imperial authorities in this matter. He had made inquiry with reference to it at the outset, as the question had presented itself to him, and the answer he received was that there was no provision made for such allowance, and further, he was told that none of the other colonies had made any request or asked any questions with reference to it. That being the case, he had not pressed the matter any further.

In reply to a question by Mr. Oliver, Dr. Borden said that the allowances to dependents was as follows: Sergeants, 50 cents for wife and 5 cents for each child per diem; corporals, wife 35 cents and 5 cents per child; privates, 25 cents for wife and 5 cents for child. The number of dependents of the men in the first contingent is as follows: Sergeants, 13 wives and 24 children; corporals, wives 9, 15 children; privates, 37 wives and 61 children.

Mr. Oliver thought 25 cents per day for the wives of privates in the contingent was not enough. The very fact that the Imperial authorities allowed that amount for the wives of privates in the regular army was proof that the sum was inadequate, according to the standard of living in Canada, for people in civilian life. If the people of Canada were receiving a certain amount of credit for the sacrifice, these men have made, their sacrifice should be lightened as much as possible by making an increased allowance to their families.

Dr. Borden pointed out that, in addition to this allowance, the government had decided to supplement the Imperial rate of pay by an amount equal to the difference between the Imperial and Canadian scale of pay.

Sir Louis Davies explained that it was proposed to augment the pay received by the Canadians from the Imperial government. In addition, their families would receive the amount allowed to married men by the Queen's regulations.

Mr. McNeill insisted that the government should not attempt to save the 25 cents per day, but should give the men the full pay to which they would be entitled under the militia act if they were serving in Canada.

In reply to Mr. Davin, Dr. Borden stated that the government had decided to augment the pay of those men who had gone from the Mounted Police to the same rate they would have received had they remained at home.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said these men have enlisted to serve, and have deliberately chosen to serve, at the Imperial rate of pay, not asking or expecting to be better treated than "Tommy Atkins," and he did not believe they cared so much about the pay as the hon. gentlemen who were talking about it. The same policy has been adopted for all the British colonies, and all the men who have volunteered for service are just British soldiers, serving with all the rights and responsibilities of British soldiers, and the House knew they had discharged their duties well. (Cheers.) The government had thought, for instance, that a man in the Mounted Police who had volunteered should at least not lose anything, and that when he came back after serving throughout the war he should be placed in the same position and receive the same money as if he had remained at home. The resolution provided the money to make up the difference between the Imperial and Canadian rates of pay. As had been explained, it was not the intention to pay the money to the men day by day, as they are in the service, because, everybody would realize, it would not be conductive to discipline if one man received one rate of pay and the other another. The money would be deposited to their credit, and paid to their representatives or to the men upon their return. The proposition of Mr. McNeill was novel: it would not, he thought, commend itself to the fair judgment of the House, and he believed the men themselves, if consulted, would be satisfied with what had been done for them.

Mr. Bourassa contended that men, if serving in Canada, should receive Canadian rates of pay, and if they were serving in the Imperial service should receive the Imperial rate of pay. He moved that the sub-section providing for the payment of the difference between the Canadian and the Imperial rates of pay be struck out.

Mr. McCarthy.

Mr. McCarthy (East Simcoe) asked: Are we to recognize this 25 cents a day as a matter of bounty to the brave men who have gone out to fight the battles of the Empire? He did not think it should be looked at in this way. If the country chooses to reward the men who, as Mr. McNeill said, have raised the glory of Canada throughout the Empire to the highest pitch, the House might see fit, at a later period, to do for them what was done for the brave soldiers who went to the defence of Canada in the Northwest in 1885. A similar bounty might be given to them after their return.

Mr. Guillet (Northumberland) supported the resolution, and Sir Adolphe Caron, while agreeing that the men should get all the pay it was possible to give them, doubted whether the discussion was opportune or would be appreciated by the men of the contingent.

Lieut.-Col. Tisdale said that when this government went to the country the men who had been trying to make political capital out of this matter—no matter which side they were on—would find that punishment meted out to them which they richly deserved. For himself, he was prepared to vote twice the sum asked for, in order to provide for the families of those who were fighting in South Africa. The present war was one to decide the future of the Empire, and one result of it would be a great Imperial Council at which representatives of Canada would be present. He might not live to see it, but the younger members of parliament would.

Mr. Borden (Halifax) suggested that as the Canadian troops were being paid at Canadian rates instead of Imperial rates, the separation allowances should be made at Canadian rates also.

The Minister of Militia.

The Minister of Militia replied that he should have explained earlier that the Imperial rates of separation allowance were increased since this war began by nearly 50 per cent. for wives, and from 25 to 30 per cent. for children. The rates which were being given by this resolution were the new Imperial rates. In reference to the remarks which had been made as to the position of the soldiers, the Minister of Militia said that their position were not social, but military. Sergeants were not chosen because they were sons of Dukes or Earls, or because their social position was better than that of their fellows, but on account of their fitness, and the fact that certain men are better fitted for certain duties than others should be recognized by higher pay.

Mr. Foster argued that as the wife of a private needed as much as an officer's wife, she should get the same separation allowance.

Mr. Monet (Laprairie and Napierville) announced that he would support Mr. Bourassa's amendment.

Mr. Henderson (Halton) hoped that Mr. Bourassa's amendment would be received by the House in silence, and, he would almost say, with contempt. He heartily supported the action of the government not only in sending the contingent, but in paying the men.

Mr McCleary (Welland) wanted the government to pay the men the full pay, 40 cents, making the total amount 64 cents. As it was already proposed to pay them 56 cents, there would be a difference of 8 cents only.

Mr. Foster moved to omit the words "at the rates laid down by the Imperial regulations," so as to leave it optional with the government to pay the separation allowance on Imperial, Canadian or even higher rates.

The Minister of Finance said he had no objection to this change.

Mr. Clarke Wallace.

Mr. Clarke Wallace was not surprised at Mr. Bourassa's resolution, since the education received by that gentleman at the hands of the Premier and the Minister of Public Works had prepared them for it. At Sherbrooke, the Premier said that he allowed the contingent to go. The Minister of Public Works had said, "Not a man, not a dollar."

Mr. Tarte—I never said it.

Mr. Wallace—The hon. gentleman's paper said it.

Mr. Tarte—It is not true; I never said it.

Mr. Wallace—The hon. gentleman says it is not true.

Mr. Tarte—And I repeat it.

Mr. Wallace—His paper says it.

Mr. Tarte—I say it is not true.

Mr. Wallace—I repeat it. (Cries of "Take it back.")

Mr. Tarte—La Patrie never said it ("Take it back.")

Mr. Wallace—Let his disloyal newspaper take his disloyal utterances back. I have nothing to take back, and it appears to tread very much on the corns of the Minister of Public Works.

Mr. Tarte—La Patrie never said anything of the kind.

Mr. Wallace urged generous treatment of the men and their families.

Mr. Gillies (Richmond, N.S.) supported Mr. Foster's amendment, and urged upon the government to pay a minimum of 50 cents as a separation allowance.

Mr. Wallace rose again to point out that the calculations were based on a rate of pay of 40 cents a day, whereas he understood it was to be 50 cents a day. Colonel Tisdale and Mr. McNeill also had misunderstood the amount.

The Minister of Finance explained that there had been a misunderstanding. It was the intention of the goverment to pay 50 cents, and it had been understood that this was the pay of the permanent corps. The rate, however, was only 40 cents, the militia getting 50 cents, and the militia department officials had calculated on a basis of 40 cents. This would have to be altered so as to carry out what the government had always intended.

Mr. Bourassa's amendment was lost on a count of 76 to 3. The three were Messrs. Bourassa, Monet and Marcil (Bagot).

After further discussion the resolutions were passed through committee and at 11:50 were reported to the House.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier presented a message from the Governor-General, transmitting a dispatch from Her Majesty, expressing appreciation of the resolutions passed by the Senate and House of Commons respecting the situation in South Africa.

The House adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

SENATE REASSEMBLES.

The Senate reassembled at 3:15 o'clock this afternoon. The Hon. David Mills introduced a bill to amend the act providing for the liberation of penitentiary convicts, extending to convicts the ticket of leave; and an act respecting the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories. Both were read the first time.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell moved for returns with reference to the disallowance of act passed by provincial legislation, and also a motion for all papers not brought down with reference to the Pacific cable.

On the orders of the day being called the Hon. David Mills called attention to recent events in South Africa, and to the noble part played therein by the Canadian contingent.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell rejoiced in the position taken by Mr. Mills, and would re-echo his sentiments. He rejoiced the more because the Canadian boys had played so important a part in securing that which had been so long attempted. When the wires flashed the news of the dash and rush of the Canadians they all rejoiced. The part Canada had played was great. The money expenditure was small. They all regretted that some had lost their lives, and hoped that those in hospital would live to return in good health, and the result would be British supremacy.

While he mourned the loss of many and the wounds of others, he felt that their confraternity of rest on a foreign shore would prevent the return of the suspicions of yesterday. He believed that the result would be to knit more closely all the languages, all creeds, in every part of the Empire. They should not only be prepared to spend any amount of money, but to offer their lives in defence of the Empire, for the Empire meant civil and religious liberty throughout the world.

After some remarks by Senators Macdonald and Allen, in the course of which both gentlemen congratulated the Speaker on the noble part played by his son in the war in South Africa, the Senate adjourned.

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Tenders, properly sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 12th March prox., for 2 Steam Pumps and Fittings; also for 3 Boilers and Fittings; all to be fitted and fixed in place near the North Dairy Farm, about 3 miles from the City Hall, in accordance with specifications, which can be seen at the office of the undersigned. Certified cheque, payable to City Treasurer, equal to 5 per cent. of amount of tender, to accompany each tender.

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WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., February 14th, 1900.

The time for receiving the above tenders is extended to the 19th day of March.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT.

Feb. 29th, 1900.

Teams for Sprinkler.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, March 12th, at 3 o'clock p. m., for one or two pairs of horses of sufficient strength to draw the street sprinkler or sprinklers when and where required. The parties tendering must state their rate per hour for each pair of horses; they will be required to furnish horses, harness, and driver for each team; provide feed for horses and keep them shod. The corporation will furnish sprinklers, water and whiffletrees. The work must be done to the entire satisfaction of the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria or their agent whom they may appoint for that purpose. The parties will be required to enter into an agreement with the Corporation and to furnish satisfactory bonds to the amount of $500 for the due performance of the work.

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WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 1st, 1900.

TENDERS.

Tenders, sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned will be received for the following, viz.:

1 Suit for Chief of Police at $30.
3 Suits for Sergeants at $25 each.
3 Suits for Jailors at $22.50 each.
15 Suits for Constables at $30 each.

Blue serge or worsted—all the above to include coat and trousers only.

2 Suits for Detectives at $22.50 each, comprising coat, vest and trousers—blue serge or worsted.

Tenderers to furnish samples of best goods they can supply at the above prices.

Also for 24 pairs of Boots at $6 per pair.
18 Helmets.
15 Policemen's Batons—16 inch.
15 Policemen's Belts.
30 Policemen's Metal Numbers.

All tenders must be delivered not later than 3 p. m. on Monday, March 12th, at the office of the undersigned, where also specifications can be seen.

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WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 1st, 1900.

TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND OTHERS.

Tenders, sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned will be received up to Monday, the 12th day of March, at 3 o'clock, for supplying to the Corporation of the City of Victoria a lot suitable for a site for a Fire Hall in a central location in Victoria West. Tenderers to state location, price, number of lot and size of same.

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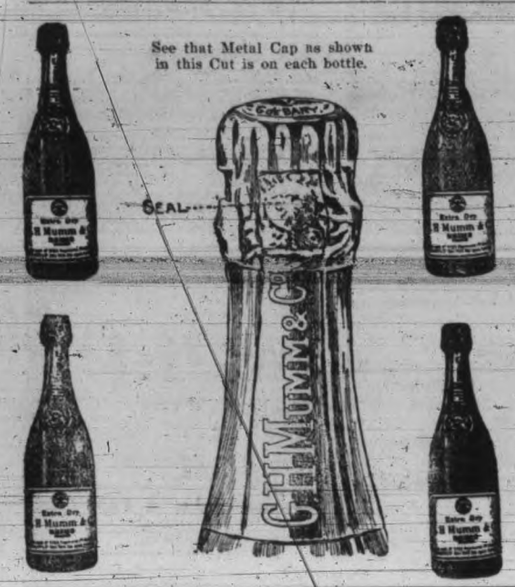

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	1898	1899
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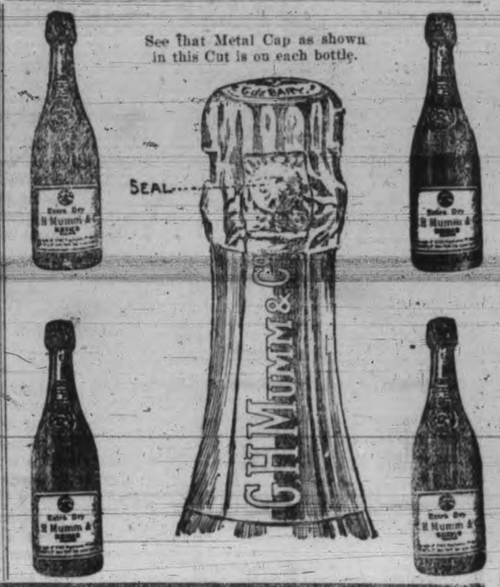
Moet & Chandon	34,206	36,808
Pommery & Greno	28,318	35,700
Heidsieck & Co	13,908	13,574
Piper Heidsieck	8,022	12,900
Vve. Clicquot	11,660	12,479
Ruinart, Pere & Fils	10,638	11,648
Louis Roederer	9,095	10,529
Perrier-Jouet	8,125	6,130
Ernest Irroy & Co.	3,585	2,306
A. DeMontebello & Co.	1,561	2,301
Bouche, Fils & Co.	1,702	2,048
Delbeck & Co.	1,265	1,754
St. Marceaux	1,743	1,302
Chas. Heidsieck	1,705	1,258
Geo. Goulet	1,345	—
Various Brands—(15 or more)	18,677	19,618
Total	243,319	279,709



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The Flight of Boers

French With Cavalry is in Pursuit—Cannot Retreat to Bloemfontein.

South African Republics Reported to Have Made Unofficial Overtures for Peace.

London, March 9.—The following editorial announcement is made by the Daily News:

"It was rumored in London yesterday, and we have some reason for believing the rumor to be correct, that the two republics made informal and unofficial overtures of peace on the preceding day. Unfortunately the conditions suggested were of such a character as to preclude the possibility of leading to any result. Terms which might have been gladly suggested, and accepted before the war, in order to avoid it, are impossible after the war, with all the sacrifices it has entailed."

THE RETREAT OF BOERS.

Kruger Tried to Stop the Burghers—French in Pursuit.

Osfontein, March 7.—Lord Roberts's movement to-day again surprised the Boers, who fled almost without firing a shot.

The plan of battle was as follows: Gen. Colville's division extended along the north bank. General Tucker had the centre reserve, and the Guards Brigade had the centre advance. General Kelly-Kenny's division was ordered to make a huge flanking movement on the Boers' left, following General French, who was instructed to move southeast until opposite the Boer flank and then swing around the rear.

Every move was admirably executed and entirely successful. The Boers were surprised, as was evident from the state of the deserted camps. Twice the British cavalry were almost in position to charge, but they admit that they were foiled by the manoeuvring of the Boers.

When last seen General French was pursuing the enemy vigorously. He was between them and Bloemfontein, about eleven miles from the right wing.

General Colville merely demonstrated against a high mountain occupied by the Transvaal troops, who are now fleeing in consequence of the flight of the Free Staters south of the river.

It is impossible at present to give the Boers' numbers, but it is estimated they reach 14,000, all of whom are now in flight.

Kruger Present.

Poplar Grove, Thursday, March 8.—President Kruger, who at present is far in the rear, yesterday tried to stop the retreating Boers, who refused to stay. The Bloemfontein police tried to stop the retreat of the Free Staters, but they declared they were not willing to fight any longer and they blamed President Steyn.

The Russian and Dutch military attaches arrived at the British camp yesterday.

Boer Tactics.

London, March 9.—The following dispatch from Poplar Grove appears in the Standard:

"The movement of the mounted men was somewhat too rapid for supporting infantry and as a result the Boer position was turned before the main body could strike effectually. The Boers fell back precipitately and extending to the southeast they checked the advance of the British cavalry with heavy rifle fire at 300 yards range. Accordingly Gen. French moved southward and outflanked them again, but the Boers repeated their tactics."

Cut Off From Bloemfontein.

London, March 9.—The Boers appear to have made no stand whatever, except that while in retreat they twice repulsed Gen. French's cavalry with rifle fire. As no report has been made on the capture of prisoners the enemy probably got away with their entire force.

Gen. French is still following them and keeping between them and Bloemfontein.

The evacuation of the northern districts of Cape Colony is now nearly complete. The British are in possession of the river crossings.

GEN. WHITE INTERVIEWED.

Could Have Held Out Until Beginning of April.

London, March 8.—Mr. Winston Churchill, telegraphing the substance of an interview he has had with Sir Geo. White, who commanded the Ladysmith garrison, says:

"General White says he might have held out until April 2nd, but this would have involved the death of many of the native population by starvation, and the sick from lack of nourishment. Then he would have destroyed the stores and ammunition, and all who were fit to crawl five miles would have sallied forth to make a show of resistance and to avoid formal capitulation. He declared that he had always begged General Buller not to hurry the relief operations, adding earnestly: 'It is not right to charge me with all the loss of life they involved.'"

Mr. Churchill says: "Gen. White spoke bitterly of home criticisms and of attempts at the war office to supersede him, attempts which Gen. Buller prevented from succeeding. In conclusion he exclaimed: 'I regret Nicholson's Nek. Perhaps it was rash, but that was the only chance of striking a heavy blow. But I regret nothing else. I would do all over again.'"

Kruger at Bloemfontein.

Pretoria, March 6.—A special dispatch from Bloemfontein says that President Kruger, while addressing a crowd of people, said:

"Although God is testing our people my personal opinion is that the limit of the test is nearly reached. If the people are sustained by faith in the time of adversity, God will soon again turn the tide in our favor. If we have strong faith in God He will surely deliver us. The God of deliverance of the olden time is the same God now."

The speech of the venerable President brought tears to the eyes of men and women, alike. The Free State Volkslied (national anthem) was then sung. The visit of President Kruger has cheered the despondents.

President Kruger more recently has been visiting the commandos south of Bloemfontein.

Fighting is proceeding at Mafeking. All the outside forts except one have been taken by the Boers.

Much satisfaction is expressed at the courtesies extended to Gen. Cronje by the British.

Pretoria, Tuesday, March 6.—(Via Lorenzo Marquez)—It is officially stated here that on Sunday last there was heavy fighting at Dordrecht, that the British were repulsed with great loss of life, and that the Federals captured three cannon.

Boers Short of Supplies.

London, March 9.—Mr. Hallawell, the correspondent for the Daily News at Mafeking, who passed two months in prison in Pretoria, but escaped last week, and was recaptured sixty miles from Pretoria, sends a dispatch to his paper, dated Pretoria, Gaol, March 2, via Lorenzo Marquez, describing the misleading news given the Boers by their officials regarding the course of the war.

He adds that great dissatisfaction exists among the Boers, as their supplies of food, coffee, meat and sugar are very irregular, and many threaten to return home.

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"A Contented Woman"

Delightful Evening at the Victoria Theatre With Miss Belle Archer.

"The Toll Gate Inn" Coming—"Coontown 400" Has a Better Audience.

Miss Belle Archer is even prettier than she was when Victorians last had the pleasure of seeing her clever interpretation of "A Contented Woman," but she does not act so well as she did then. Miss Archer, sad to say, is growing careless, and consequently, if she will believe a friendly critic, somewhat less interesting. As the proverb says: "Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain," but art is long and it is tyrannical; so imperious a faith that no beauty may trifle with it, as witness the sharp lessons learned by that peerless trio: Mrs. James Brown-Potter, Lily Langtry and Lillian Russell. Although as glorious specimens of feminine pulchritude as ever adorned the stage, they leaned too heavily on their mere physical charms, and so brought down upon themselves the displeasure of critics and public alike, to the sad detriment of the box office.

Miss Archer can act. That she proved handsomely last time she called here. Everybody remembers the delightful little impromptu when a big drop of cold, cold rain came swooping down from an unauthorized ventilator in the roof, (not down in the architect's plans and specifications), and went kerswish upon the pearly shoulder (or was it bust?) of the artiste as she stood beside the soft, and how she curled in upon herself like a rosebud breathed upon by a belated frost, and glancing upward at the crack whence the daring drop had come, "gagged" thus.

"Ouch! One would almost require an umbrella there." How the house did enjoy it, and peer into every nook and cranny for a certain gentleman who had suddenly become non est. Those little memories of pleasant moments unarranged for by the management, are worth remembrance. Had Miss Archer put up an umbrella, for fun, in the first act last night, all who were at her last appearance here in "A Contented Woman" would have been coquered. However, those inspirations don't come to everybody.

The story of "A Contented Woman" is childlike and bland; just enough plot to preserve continuity of interest without too much engrossment, and plenty of funny "situations" to keep the fusillade of merriment going all the time. Unquestionably it is Hoyt's best, and as far in advance of such early work of his as "The Rag Baby," which, with the inimitable Frank Daniels as hero, used to pack Tony Pastor's theatre, in Fourteenth street, New York, night after night for years, as anything can be. Miss Archer's company is excellent; some of the special things are extremely clever; notably the dancing of Bonnie Lottie, and the song of Messrs. Craven and Connolly: "We'll have no more coop rag-time songs to-night," reaching the house enormously. There was a programme famine, many persons who had not seen the play before had to follow as best they could. The recitation of "The Absent-Minded Beggar" by Miss Archer was really fine. She has caught the right spirit, and carried away the house with her rendering of the famous lines.

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At the Victoria theatre on Tuesday evening, March 13th, will be presented for the first time in this city a play called "Toll Gate Inn," which from all accounts has been meeting with big success in the East. The critics all speak in the highest terms of the play and the production that has been given of it, which is said to be very elaborate. The play is built upon a story of continental days. It has its mission, not that it stirs up old animosities, but that it surrounds the memory of your colonial sires and dames with a romance, a realism which cannot be obtained by the mere reading of histories. The story of the "Toll Gate Inn" was written by Langdon McCormick. It is a cleverly woven theme, with a love motive running through it. Love and patriotism struggle at times for the mastery of the heart and the conscience, but the conclusion is happy in that neither is sacrificed.

The play is said to be staged in a perfectly accurate setting. The interior of the Toll Gate Inn, as seen in the first act, is true to tradition and history, as are, indeed all the other stage pictures, the costumes and the uniforms.

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"Coontown 400" drew a much larger audience last night upon the occasion of their second appearance in the A.O.U.W. Hall. The hall was comfortably filled in spite of the rival attraction at the Victoria theatre, and the company gave an even more meritorious programme than on the first evening of their engagement. They play again this evening and to-morrow night when they terminate their engagement in Victoria. "Coontown 400" is one of the best minstrel shows that has been seen here for some time and deserves liberal patronage.

There will be a new bill for to-morrow's matinee and evening performances.

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On Wednesday evening the big fine show "Who is Who" will be staged at the Victoria theatre.

SEVEN YEARS IN BED.

"Will wonders never cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. S. Pease, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from Headache, Backache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed. Only 50c. at F. W. Fawcett & Co.'s drug store.

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ROYAL VISIT TO IRELAND.

London, March 8.—Mr. John Redmond, Irish Nationalist leader in the House of Commons, to-day declared the Irish people have received with gratification the announcement that Her Majesty has directed that the Shamrock be worn by the Irish regiments on St. Patrick's day, adding the Irish people would welcome this graceful recognition of the valor of the Irish race, wherever exhibited, and would treat with respect the venerable sovereign about to visit the Irish shore, well knowing that on this occasion no attempt would be made to give the visit any party significance, and that the Vice-Regal hospitality would not be taken to mean any abatement of their demands for national rights which they would continue to press until conceded. Mr. Redmond was loudly cheered.

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Along the Waterfront.

Arrangements are being made by the northern transportation companies for a through traffic rate to Dawson, which will be announced shortly.

Ship Sebastian Rach, which took lumber from Chemainus for Japan, has put into Honolulu, leaking and considerably damaged by gales encountered by her in the North Pacific.

The hull of the new tug which Contractor Peck is building for Messrs. McKeen & Johnson, at the Royal City Mills yards, at New Westminster, is now finished. It will not be launched for some time yet, as the machinery is not yet installed, but it is expected to arrive from Toronto in ten days' time.

The Portland court of inquiry which has been considering the stranding of the Allan line steamer Californian on Ram Island, near Portland harbor, two weeks ago, has made public its decision, which is to the effect that while the master committed an error of judgment it was not sufficient to justify the suspension of his certificate. The court finds that the pilot should not have left the vessel when he did, and commends the officers and crew of the Californian for their conduct after the accident.

At the election for a member of parliament to fill the seat for the North Division of Sligo, vacated by Mr. Bernard Coffey, Nationalist, retired, Mr. John O'Dowd, Nationalist, was elected without opposition.

Telegrams from Port Townsend say: Dr. Foster, in charge of the quarantine station, flatly denies the rumor in circulation to the effect that bubonic plague and not beri-beri afflicted the crew of the Japanese steamship Nanyo Maru, which has been detained at Diamond Point station for some time past." The Seattle P.-I. supplements the dispatch with the allegation that the story is a fake said to have originated in Victoria. Of course the doctor ought to know, but in view of the fact that the same doctor reported that the plague existed on the steamer to the head of his department at Washington, and it is so stated in the official reports, there is an Ethiopian among the lumber, and the familiar cry of "fake" from the P.-I. is as false as ever. The United States health report issued at Washington, D.C., under date of February 23rd, says Dr. Foster held the Nanyo Maru and passengers to await bacteriological examination of the dead body of the victim who died en route to Port Townsend. The result of this examination unmistakably gave the plague bacilli, and the following telegram was sent to all American and Coast quarantine stations: "Cases supposed to be beri-beri on steamer arriving at Port Townsend on subsequent investigation proved plague. * * * Proper precautions taken at beginning by Foster, hence no danger. This to put you on guard for proper diagnosis beri-beri." And the same Dr. Foster who reported to Washington, is he who now denies that it exists.

The following circular letter, giving the tariff arranged for through freight to Dawson by the W. P. & Y. Ry. Co., C. D. Co., and C. P. N. Co., showing a reduction of from 40 to 60 per cent., has been issued: "The Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited, having completed arrangements covering the lines of the companies mentioned above (the White Pass route and the C. D. Co.'s lines) desires to place before shippers their new through freight tariff, effective on the opening of Yukon navigation for the season of 1900, and applying on all ordinary articles of commerce and live stock moving from British Columbia ports to Dawson and upper Yukon river points. The tariff is given as follows: 1. Shipments of five tons or under: Through rate, $145 per ton, weight provided the total measurement of each shipment does not exceed an allowance of 55 cubic feet to each 2,000 lbs. weight, all excess measurement over such allowance to be charged for in addition to the through rate at a rate of $1 per cubic foot. 2. Shipments of over five tons: Through rate, $125 per ton, weight provided the total measurement of each shipment does not exceed an allowance of 55 cubic feet to each 2,000 pounds weight, all such excess measurement over such allowance to be charged for in addition to the through rate at the rate of $1 per cubic foot. Cattle and horses, in lots of not less than fourteen head, $85 per head. Shipments under this tariff will be carried subject to the conditions of the company's regular bill of lading, and will also be subject to the following general conditions: Single articles of freight weighing over 2,000 pounds, or timbers over 35 feet in length, will be carried only under special arrangement. Powder and high explosives, calcium carbide, acids, gasoline, and naptha, will be carried only under special engagement. On all freight of a perishable nature charges must be prepaid in full. On and after August 20th, 1900, shipments will only be accepted at owners' risk of delivery during 1900, and the carriers must be fully released by all parties in interest from all claims and liability arising out of or occasioned by non-delivery during 1900." Of the parties to the foregoing tariff agreement, the C. P. N. Co. will this season operate on the northern route, the steamers Amur, Tees and Danube; the White Pass and Yukon route, being into the agreement the Pacific & Arctic Railway and Navigation Company, the British Columbia Yukon Railway Company, and the British Yukon M. T. & T. Co., operating the White Pass & Yukon railway between Skagway, Alaska, and White Horse Rapid, Y. T.; the Canadian Development Company, third party to the contract, is to operate this year the six first-class steamers, Columbian, Canadian, Victorian, Australian, Bailey and Anglian.

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LONDON'S WELCOME

To the Queen—Much Touched by the Enthusiastic Reception

London, March 8.—The scene to-day in the quadrangle of the Palace upon the Queen's arrival from Windsor, when the Lords and Commoners joined in singing the National Anthem, was unprecedented. After bowing acknowledgment of the official greeting, the Queen quickly turned to Lady Buller with a grateful smile. Then, in the presence of the legislators of the United Kingdom, drawing the wife of the reliever of Ladysmith closer to her, she whispered words of thanksgiving.

After scarcely two hours of rest, the Queen made a tour of the city proper, amid the greatest excitement and enthusiasm. She reached the city's confines at about 4 o'clock. Her Majesty was welcomed by the Lord Mayor and corporation in their robes of state. The route was thronged with people, and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed everywhere.

A quaint ceremony occurred when the Queen's carriage stopped at the Temple Bar. The Lord Mayor, Mr. A. N. Newton, solemnly handed Her Majesty the sword of state. With a smile the Queen touched it and returned it to the chief executive, saying, "Thank you for all that my city has done."

To this the mayor replied: "Your Gracious Majesty's words will forever be treasured in my heart."

Then the Life Guards trotted and the Queen drove quickly along the embankment, which was black with cheering people. The streets of the great city were everywhere thronged, but so quickly were the horses driven that the crowds scarcely had a chance to cheer before the constantly bowing monarch had passed out of sight.

By 5 o'clock the Queen, going by way of Holborn and Oxford street, had returned to Buckingham Palace. The drive had been so hastily planned that no organized attempts at decoration had been carried out, but for the short space of time it was astonishing to see the number of flags which appeared along the route followed by Her Majesty. Many American flags were displayed by American concerns and Americans on the street.

The depth of feeling which these demonstrations represented could only be gauged by those who mingled with the crowds. Mothers in deep mourning for sons killed on the field of battle, struggled heavily with the noisy hilarious to catch a glimpse of the Queen, whose womanly sympathies and thoughtfulness for her soldiers had touched their hearts. Often the long, cold vigil was rendered futile by tears which dimmed the eyes and blurred the vision of the royal carriage as it passed along. As one very old woman said: "I've seen her many a time, but she said she was sorry for my boy and I must see her again before I die."

Thousands braved the raw east wind and stood for hours waiting patiently, who have often seen the Queen, and who in ordinary circumstances would scarcely have endured the hardships to watch her pass.

In short it was not so much a desire to see the monarch, as it was an overwhelming need of an outlet for initiation of the war, a natural inclination to let the Queen see and share the gladness of the people, that prompted London to make today one of the memorable celebrations of Victoria's reign.

When the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India did pass, nodding as if to many friends, instead of bowing with royal restraint, there echoed under the roar of cheers many heart felt expressions, such as "God bless her," "God keep her," "My, but she is a brave woman," and scores more like them. It was small wonder that now and again tears of joy rolled down and chased each other down the cheeks of the aged sovereign.

In response to a message from the Lord Mayor this evening, Sir Arthur Bigge, the Queen's private secretary, wrote: "Her Majesty is not fatigued, and she is much pleased and touched by the loyal and enthusiastic reception accorded her throughout this afternoon's journey."

As the evening advanced the crowds increased. Red fire was burned and the whole concourse took up "God Save the Queen." Then came blue lights and strains of "Rule Britannia," and then the crowd broke up with a demonstration such as has not been seen in London in many years.

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POSITION OF THE LIBERALS.

In a letter which we publish in another column Mr. John Macmillan asks some questions which no doubt have occurred to other supporters of the Liberal party. We believe the meeting of the executive of the party in this province was called to deliberate on the advisability or otherwise of calling a convention to discuss the question of contesting the forthcoming election on Federal party lines. They had no choice in the matter. The present Premier has announced his intention of filling his cabinet with Liberals, and it is no secret that he has appealed to representative bodies of that party for their support on that very ground. Mr. Martin addressed the meeting of the executive and urged upon them the advisability of calling a convention, which he expected would recognize and support him as leader of a provincial Liberal party. The members of the executive had letters and telegrams in their possession from two members of the executive not present and from other prominent Liberals in all parts of the province informing them of the public feeling in various sections, from which the conclusion was drawn that the great majority of the electors were opposed to the introduction of Federal party lines and that the calling of a convention was unnecessary. That the opinions of the correspondents of the executive accurately expressed public sentiment is proved by the views of provincial newspapers. Probably not more than one or two papers in British Columbia have expressed themselves in favor of Dominion party lines in provincial politics, while the opinion is general that we cannot secure the kind of government we are much in need of just now by such methods. Surely, when a direct appeal was made to Liberals to take part in provincial politics as a party the executive had the right to express an opinion on the matter. We think in declining to involve the party in such a contest they acted wisely and voiced the sentiments of the great majority of Liberals, although no doubt many loyal members, like Mr. Macmillan, may think otherwise.

The resolution opposing Mr. Martin as premier can only be taken as representing the views of the executive as individuals.

THE WAR.

It seems that the crushing effect of the capitulation of Cronje and the relief of Ladysmith were not overestimated. The Boer leaders have undoubtedly sued for peace, but it may be accepted as a fact that the only terms that will be considered will be those of Roberts to Cronje, unconditional surrender. The Boers have had an example of real war, and the result does not appear to be to their taste. It may be true that Kruger's latest move is prompted by the desire to gain time to rally his shattered forces, but we may also accept the statement that much easier terms could be arranged now that the dreams of dancing in Capetown have been proven a nightmare. The Boers may yet put up a stiff fight, however, and give Roberts ample opportunity for a display of his strategical powers, but that does not prevent public men from discussing the future of South Africa and endeavoring to impress on Imperial statesmen that nothing short of conditions which would preclude the possibility of the intrusion of Kruger's ambitions in South African affairs will satisfy the people of Great Britain.

THE QUEEN.

The enthusiasm of the people of London at the appearance of the aged sovereign in the streets yesterday and today was no doubt stimulated to a certain extent by the recent success of British arms in South Africa. The Queen personifies the nation, and on such great occasions the presence of Her Majesty adds to the strength of the patriotic outburst. In the case of our Queen, however, the manifest interest which she now takes and has always taken in the personal welfare of her people has drawn forth the deep love of all hearts. The many instances that are related of her gentle, kindly and womanly attention to those of her subjects with whom she has been brought personally in contact, who from age or illness were in need of assistance, show that although a sovereign she is none the less a true woman. These things were no doubt in the minds of those who took part in yesterday's great demonstration. The mere sentiment of loyalty between sovereign and subject could never have called forth the heartfelt exchange of good wishes which we are told occurred in the streets of London. There was a large personal element discernible in the situation. On the part of the people no doubt there was the feeling that one who had for so many years lived in the "fierce light that beats upon a throne" and exemplified to high and low in the British Empire the ideal of a true gentlewoman could not by all the laws of nature take part in many more such demonstrations; on the part of the sovereign tears of gratitude for the evidences of love and affection such as no ruler in the history of the world has been the object of. Who can estimate the effect for good of such a truly noble life on the population not only of the British Empire, but upon the life of all the people of the world. It would be a fitting thing if in her declining years her decision to visit Ireland as a mark of appreciation of the devotion of the sons of the Green Isle to the British flag should result in at least an amelioration of the bitter feeling which some of that brave race mistakenly entertain towards the sister kingdom.

The Broad Arrow takes strong exception, from a military standpoint, to the surrender of British rights in the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, without an equivalent, "although," to quote its own words, "the Alaskan boundary question is still unsettled." It accuses Lord Salisbury of forgetting that Britain is a New World as well as the United States. "To the Dominion," it adds, "a canal in the Isthmus of Panama is only less important than to her aggressive neighbor. Esquimalt, the key of the North Pacific, is separated from Halifax, as San Francisco is from New York, by the whole length of the South American continent. Therefore to both countries the problem of defence will be simplified by the opening of the Nicaragua canal. To secure the Clayton-Bulwer treaty," adds the Broad Arrow, "we gave up Greytown, which commands the entrance to the projected Nicaragua canal, the Mosquito coast, and several strategical positions on the coast; now we have abandoned the rights which that instrument gave us. Goodwill which does not rest on mutual amities and interests is built on a foundation of sand. We have been giving valuable concessions to the United States at Canada's expense for the past hundred years. What evidence have we ever had of gratitude? Canadians are fighting on the battlefields of South Africa, not Americans."

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It would be hard to set a limit to the demands of extreme protectionists. The Canadians manufacture electricity very cheaply from the water power of Niagara Falls and wire it over to the city of Buffalo. The American generators of the elusive current thought it unfair that they should be obliged to compete with foreigners in the electrical market, and they petitioned the Washington government to impose a duty on the imported article—or whatever it is. The assistant secretary of the treasury has decided that it is impossible to comply with their request under any existing laws. The next move will be to pass a law enabling the collectors to box the fluid and collect duty on it. The consumers are not worthy of consideration.

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Professor David Star Jordan has transferred his attention from the wrongs of seals to the woes of races of men. He predicts that the twentieth century will behold the disappearance of Great Britain as a nation. The empire still gives forth some signs of vitality; there are also a few seals left.

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The Jewish people are well represented on the Boer army. Lieut. Raphael, who fell during the assault on Spion Kop, was the first officer of that ancient race to die on the field of battle in South Africa.

We wou'd ask you to inspect the "New Lines" of Lace Curtains, Drapery Cloths, etc., etc., at Weller Bros.

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COMMUNICATIONS

THE LIBERAL EXECUTIVE.

To the Editor:—As one who took part in the convention which elected the "Executive of the Provincial Liberal Association," let me ask who gave the executive authority on behalf of the association to make any declaration in provincial politics? The convention by resolution declared that it was organized solely for Dominion purposes, and its executive were given no power whatever to act in its behalf in provincial matters. Why, then, does the executive presume to make a declaration for the association re the provincial premiership, a matter entirely foreign to the declared purpose of the association itself? Have organized Liberals in this province come to be looked upon as a mere machine who are to register the will and determination of a small coterie of lawyers to suit their aims and grudges, and who presume to think and act for us without so much as saying by your leave? I warn the executive that such a course, if persisted in, will cause a rebellion in the Liberal ranks, the worst effects of which will be felt not in provincial but in Dominion politics. Liberalism and the rule of oligarchy can not long live together. Already a feeling of resentment has been aroused which it were well not to further provoke.

JOHN MACMILLAN.

THE HARBOR.

To the Editor: I see that the more obtuse of our city council are still nibbling at the harbor scheme take. I think that instead of dabbling with the mud in the harbor they should rake some of the mud off the city streets; it would be more in order. As for the harbor improvement it belongs to the Dominion by all precedent to see to it, and undoubtedly when we are in better odor with the powers that be something will be done. We, the supporters of C. Hayward in his candidature for the mayoralty, gave him our support under the idea that his thorough business instinct would block as far as in him lay any foolish expenditure in municipal matters, but behold the old legacies are once more to the front. I would like to ask shall a portion of the city taxes be frittered away to cater to the mawkish sentiment of a few members of the city council, because the leisure time of an individual has been spent in elaborating a scheme at once Utopean and every way not feasible; must the city's moneys be fused as compensation in such a case? The summer jaunt to Ottawa was a weak expenditure; and now forsooth we must pay for harbor boring because somebody has a few tools in the prospective suitable for the job. Citizens, this sort of thing is played out; we want a dollar's worth for a dollar, or hands off the city purse strings. Z.

"THE FLAG WE FOLLOW."

To the Editor:—Our attention has been called to a criticism of the lecture on the above subject delivered in the Temperance hall, Pandora street, on last Monday evening. Mr. "Bad Walker," as the critic calls himself, should have been at the lecture or "forever hold his peace," for a synopsis of a lecture cannot place the points before the public so as to make everything clear.

The writer would have us believe the unhistoric conceit that, at the time King James VI. of Scotland became James I. of the united realms, the term "Jack" was first used, but if he will read the latest literature on that subject he will find that the best authority is against such a theory. In the lecture I did refer to this idea but, on what I considered the best historic grounds, expressed my belief in the existence of the term "Jack" as applied to the flag, before the time of James I. In his history of the Union Jack, Cumberland has the following to say on the disputed question: "The most generally quoted suggestion, for the name is that, as the first proclamation authorizing a flag, in which the national crosses of England and Scotland were first combined, was issued by James VI. of Scotland, and I. of England, the name was acquired from this connection; the explanation being that King James frequently signed his name in the French manner as 'Jacques,' which was abbreviated into 'Jac,' and thus the new flag came to be called a 'Jack.' The abbreviation suggested is ingenius and interesting, but cannot be accepted as correct, for the simple reason that there were 'Jacks,' long before the time of the reign of James I., and that their prior origin can be clearly traced."

The same author says on the same subject: "The sailors of the Cinque Ports on the southeast of England, by whom the royal navies were, in early days, principally manned, are recorded to have worn as their uniform, 1513, 'a cote of white cotyn with a red crosse and the arms of ye port underneathe.' These surcoats or 'Jacques' came, in time, to be known as the 'Jacks' of the various nationalities they represented, and it was from the raising of one of them upon a lance, or staff, in order to show the nationality of those on board, when troops were being conveyed by water, that the single flag, bearing on it only the cross of St. George, or the cross of St. Andrew, came to be known as a 'Jack,' and from this origin, too, the small flag-pole at the bow of a ship is still called the 'Jack staff.'"

What I have quoted here, from the work of Mr. Barlow Cumberland, was clearly stated in the lecture on Monday night.

It is to be hoped that a greater interest may be taken in this subject, not for the sake of criticism, but that the rising generation may become embued with the feelings of true loyalty to the flag which has had such a marvellous and unique history. It might not be out of place to suggest that the teachers, in the schools of the province, be instructed by the proper authorities to give lessons upon patriotism to the pupils, and thus enable them to understand why we are prepared to die for the "dear old flag."

J. C. SPEER.

UNITE.

To the Editor: If your news is correct that J. Hill is behind the Port Angeles connection and the Island railway, it is every citizen's duty to urge him to consider Victoria as a terminus for the grand trunk. The board of trade, the Mayor and Council and business men generally should forward petitions to him and promise support financially and in a business way. We should for once unite and generously support a railway that would be the making of Victoria. Then strangers in New York and Eastern cities would be able to buy through tickets to the capital of British Columbia. G. S. K.

NOT UNWELCOME.

Nelson Tribune.

Joseph Martin exacted his pound of flesh on Friday, upon the second reading of the redistribution bill, and had the satisfaction of defeating his former colleagues. It was not unexpected, nor can it be regarded as altogether unwelcome. The condition which existed at the capital for several weeks has been most unsatisfactory. The government has been alternately at the mercy of one member of the House after another. The result will be that all the politicians will be again put into the scales and weighed up.

LEGISLATORS CONDEMNED.

Rossland Record.

The disgraceful proceedings which marked the prorogation of the legislature have reduced British Columbia to the level of those states across the boundary which fell under the control of the Populists and disorder. Whatever opinion the members may have held of the Lieutenant-Governor, the respect they owe to the Sovereign, whose representative he is, should have restrained them from the turbulent evidences of contempt which they displayed.

KELLIE IS DEEP.

Nelson Tribune.

J. M. Kellie should have a walkover in Revelstoke with Charles Wilson, Q. C., in the field. The Revelstoke man draws more water than some people give him credit for. He has made the race several times alternately as government and opposition candidate, and has never failed, and an outsider should be an easy mark for him.

MADE THEMSELVES RIDICULOUS.

Rossland Miner.

After the melodramatic exhibition given by the members of the legislature at the dissolution ceremony on Thursday, those who hope for re-election have probably come to their senses and concluded that they have not increased themselves in the estimation of the public. The honors of the occasion seems certainly to have been carried off by Fighting Joe, and whether he succeeds in obtaining the support of the country he at any rate will have the satisfaction of knowing that under very difficult circumstances he played a very much more manly and dignified part than the crowd of hoodlums who sought to place him in a ridiculous position, and only ended by making themselves subjects for scorn.

GERMAN MEAT BILL.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, March 9.—The Cologne Gazette to-day publishes a dispatch from Berlin containing an apparently inspired statement to the effect that influential circles of the government have quite agreed that the claims of the extreme Agrarians cannot be accepted, and that the proposals of the meat bill committee will never become law.

EXPLOSION IN FUSE FACTORY.

(Associated Press.)

Pompton, N.J., March 9.—The Smith Fuse Manufactory at this place blew up at 1:30 p.m. to-day, and four persons were killed and a number more or less wounded.

NOTES FROM ALBERNI.

(Special to the Times.)

Tuesday was a day of celebrations here on account of the capture of Cronje. A large bonfire was made in the evening in the settlement. Although the rain was falling heavily, it didn't worry the crowd. The play, "Our Boys," came off in Huff's hall, and, although the attendance was rather small on account of the rain and the attraction of the bonfire, etc., it was a very appreciative audience.

Mr. Stack came in on Saturday's stage and went down to the properties on Snugasun, of which he is manager.

Mr. Waterhouse has started some men working on the Edith and other mineral claims in Hell's Gate.

Capt. Robertson, of Auckland, N. Z., who has been up at the Klondike for the last two years, has leased the stern-wheeler Willie from Mr. Huff, and is now making trips up and down the canal.

The Raven, opposite the townsite, is being worked on and is looking well.

Messrs. Wilson & McCoy went down on Monday to the Copper King, on Copper mountain, where work has started again.

Mr. Havelayne came in to Alberni on Saturday's stage.

Mrs. Pitcock, of Vahter Island, also came in on a visit to her brother, Mr. Gulliod, Indian agent.

Mr. A. W. Neill returned on Saturday's boat from Victoria. Mr. Neill went to his home at Cherry Creek.

The announcement was made on Sunday in the English church that the church was completely out of debt.

The Rev. Archdeacon Scriven is coming in to hold services on Sunday, the 18th prox. He also expects to be in for Easter Sunday.

In spite of the heavy fall of snow we had in Alberni, it apparently didn't fall at all a little way up the mountains. Prospectors and miners are starting their summer work again, the weather being very mild.

At a meeting of the ladies' committee for the Mansion House fund, held on Wednesday, it was decided to have a social and an entertainment on March 21st, in aid of the Mansion House fund. The play, "Our Boys," will be given in the evening, with music and songs appropriate to the occasion. It is hoped that everyone will turn out and do their best to make a good subscription from our town. A collection will also be taken up during the evening. Mr. Huff has kindly lent the hall for the occasion.

The death occurred on Tuesday night of Mr. Anthony Watson's little son.

The marriage took place on Wednesday of C. Davis and Miss Reeve, daughter of A. Reeve, of Sproat Lake. She was given away by her father; her two younger sisters were bridesmaids. C. A. Huff supported the bridegroom, and Rev. E. Taylor performed the ceremony in the Presbyterian church.

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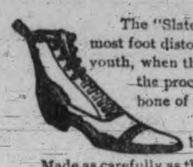

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History as Told by British Regimental Badges.

There is a curious interest attaching to the "trade marks" which form the distinguishing regimental badges of the British army. From a little brass trinket worn upon the collar, often in itself an emblem of absolutely no intrinsic value whatever, there may be frequently traced back a whole world of romantic history, as witness the examples which follow:

The first of our line regiments, and, in fact, the oldest regiment in the world, is the Royal Scots. It is descended from those celebrated Scottish Regiments of Cavaliers who, under Cromwellian persecution, attached themselves to both the Swedish army under Gustavus Adolphus, and also to that of the French, where they were known as the "Scottish Archer Guard." At the restoration, they returned amid the general rejoicings to serve under Charles II., and have since taken part in countless campaigns. On their collars they wear the thistle as their distinguishing badge, and the letters R. S. appear on their shoulder straps.

Next in order come the Royal West Surrey, or Queen's, who wear Catherine of Braganza's lamb upon their collars; the "buffs," or East Kent Regiment, distinguished by their buff facings; and the Royal Lancasters, or "King's Own," the British lion upon whose collars was specially granted them by William III.

Following these come the Northumberland Fusiliers, who won their raccoon-skin grenadier caps so long ago as 1762, when they defeated the French grenadiers at Wilhelmstahl; and the white plume tipped with red that they still wear is symbolical of their share in the capture of St. Lucia in 1768, where they plucked the white plumes from the helmets of their French victims, dipped them in blood, and went in to win.

Another historic regiment is the Somerset Light Infantry, or "Prince Albert's," which carries the usual bugle (worn by all light infantry) and a mural crown in memory of their heroic defence of Jelalabad from November, 1841, to April 7, 1842. This regiment is the only one in the British army in which the sergeants are permitted to wear their crimson sashes "officerwise"—i.e., over the left shoulder instead of the right—in memory of that glorious day when its non-coms. displayed sufficient bravery to warrant them all commissions.

The Cheshire have the acorn and oak leaf as their collar badge, while the Royal Welsh Fusiliers still carry a remnant of the old-fashioned queue at the back of their necks in the shape of a little black bow called a "flash," which is strikingly similar to the bows with which ladies were wont to adorn the backs of their necks a few seasons since.

The Gloucesters alone wear a backplate on their helmets, in memory of Alexandria, where their ancestors of the old 28th defeated the French cavalry, which charged them simultaneously in flank and rear. The officers of the 7th Hussars and of the Oxford Light Infantry have a curious privilege. They are the only army officers allowed the luxury of a linen collar when in undress uniform.

The North Lancashire is distinguished by the fact that its officers still wear black in their lace in memory of Gen. Wolfe, from whose particular regiment it was partly formed at its establishment as a county regiment. The Wiltshires take the cipher of the Duke of Edinburgh on their collars, and a piece of lead or "plash" on their buttons in memory of Carrickfergus, where they ran out of ammunition, and fired their buttons instead of bullets.—London Daily Mail.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

London, March 8.—In the House of Commons to-morrow Sir Edward Sassoon, Liberal-Unionist member for Hythe, will ask whether the government has acquiesced in the matter of concessions about to be granted to the Eastern Telegraph Company by Australia, which he claims are in the opinion of Canada likely to lead to the abandonment of the Pacific cable scheme. If not, Sir Edward will further ask if the government is endeavoring to induce Australia to renounce the intention of infringing the terms of the Pacific cable scheme.

If you are nervous or dyspeptic try Carter's Little Nerve Pills. Dyspepsia makes you nervous, and nervousness makes you dyspeptic; either one renders you miserable, and these little pills cure both.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Victorian from the Sound—Jas Carrol, R D Davis, W E Schultz, Wm Harrop and wife, H Priddice, Capt Lloyd, Capt Santurn, M Botsford, D Savanna, M M Morrill, N Rosedale, J La Barthe, M German, F J Wheeler, S J Latimer, A A Young, C L Bingham and wife, Mrs H L O'Brien, Mrs Jones, R C Helloway, Mr Hughes, Mrs Tragoning, F Grimes, Mrs Vick and daughter, F Louis, C Poole, J Williams, W A Bishop, J Stewart, J Lawson, J Manuel, S N Cohan, W S Wann, J C Fox.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Victorian from the Sound—P McQuade & Son, McCandless Bros, W & J Wilson, D Spencer, Hickman Tye Hdw Co, Erskine, W & Co, Vic Book & Stat'y Co, T N Hibben & Co, The Hiscox Mfg, Valo & Brooks, A J Morley, Cunningham Hdw Co, W E Vanstone, S Leiser & Co, Earsman, H & Co, J H Todd & Son, J Johnston, Jas Peterson, Weller Bros.

Answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday, the parliamentary secretary for foreign affairs, Mr. Brodrick, promised that papers would shortly be presented to the House of Commons dealing with the subject of Great Britain's co-operation with the United States in endeavoring to arrive at an agreement with the powers to secure equal opportunities for the trade of all nations throughout the whole of China.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday, said the new stamp duty on produce contracts would apply both to spot and future transactions in all descriptions of products, including sugar, cotton, corn, and provisions and iron, except where sales were executed between the principals without the intervention of a broker.

A Pekin dispatch says the Dowager Empress yesterday received in audience the wives of the foreign ministers. Both the Emperor and the new heir-apparent to the throne were present. The ceremony was similar to those of last year.

A. O. U. W. HALL.
Four nights commencing
Wednesday, March 7.
WILLIS'
Coontown 400
The Premier Colored Organization of America in a Rag Time Operatic Burlesque. Vocalists, Dancers, Comedians, Pretty Girls.
25—LEADING COLORED ARTISTS—25
The event of the Season.
Special matinee Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Grand minstrel bill Saturday night. Night prices, 50c., 35c., and 25c.; matinee, 25c. and 10c.

NOTICE.

Pursuant to a requisition presented to me to-day notice is hereby given that a meeting of the

Liberal-Conservative Association

will be held in the Pioneer Hall, on Friday, the 9th instant, at 8 p. m.

H. DALLAS HELMCKEN, President.

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GLASSES ADJUSTED. 37 EYES TESTED FREE.
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WANTS.

WANTED—Second hand cornet of good make; cheap for cash. Address Cash, this office.

WANTED—A general servant, for small family. Apply this office for address.

WANTED—Ladies and Gentlemen's second hand bicycles; must be cheap. Apply X. Y. Z., Times Office.

WANTED—Some one to engage passage or freight with me to Dawson. Have good dog team and am A1 driver. Call 131 Douglas street, between 5 and 7. H. E. Hammond.

WANTED—Chamber work or house work, by the day. Apply 39 Pandora street.

WANTED—$2 per day sure, gentlemen or ladies; special work; position permanent; reliable firm, with best references; experience unnecessary. Address S. M. Fry, Field Manager, Hamilton, Ont.

WANTED—Old copper, brass, zinc, lead, scrap iron, rope, canvas and sacks; highest prices given. Apply Victoria Junk Agency, 30 Store street. B. Aaronson, Agent.

FOR SALE.

HIGH-CLASS BUFF ROCKS and Black Minorcas, eggs and birds. G. F. Watson, 159 Fernwood road.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching; never been beaten; $1.00 per setting. Apply to T. C. Smith, Fairfield Dairy, Moss street.

FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE FOR SALE—On easy terms. Apply 12 Francis avenue.

FOR SALE—Second hand upright 10 h. p. boiler, suitable for Klondike. Apply Thorpe & Co., Ltd., David street.

FOR SALE—A good pipe boiler, with pump, heater, etc. Apply W. Bulman, Shawnigan Lake Lumber Yard, Discovery street.

FOR SALE—On easy terms, several houses on Stanley avenue, $2,500 to $2,800; 3 lots on Stanley avenue, $500 each, corner lot, $600; cottage, James Bay, $1,500; two cottages on Speed avenue, $1,000 each; 9 houses, Victoria West, for $6,000; 2 cottages off Oak Bay avenue, $700 each; cottage and 7 lots, off Esquimalt road, $2,600; 3 lots and four houses at Esquimalt, $2,600; cottage, off Oak Bay avenue, $1,200; house and lot, Victoria West, $1,000; large house and lot, Edmonton road, $1,500; 4 lots near Cedar Hill church, for $300; valuable water frontage on the Gorge, near Point Ellice bridge, 3.96 acres for $8,000, or open to an offer. A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street.

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO RENT. Address "Pandora," Times Office.

TO LET—A suite of furnished rooms and entire use of kitchen on ground floor. Apply 120 Vancouver street.

WELL FURNISHED ROOMS, single or en suite; modern conveniences; good dining rooms. Sample rooms for commercial use. M. Wait, The Vernon, 66 Douglas street.

TO RENT—Office in the Times building, ground floor. Apply at Times office.

EDUCATIONAL.

SHORTHAND SCHOOL, 15 Broad street. Shorthand, Typewriting, Bookkeeping taught.

COAL AND WOOD.

LUMP COAL, NUT COAL, SACK COAL, SLACK COAL. Telephone 694. Munn, Holland & Co., Pounce and Broad street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MADAM RAAB—Medium sittings daily. 90 Douglas street.

MRS. SINCLAIR, Nurse, has removed from 17 Amelia street to 131 Fort street, where she will receive maternity and non-infectious cases at her residence.

A. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths; Dealers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; shipping supplied at lowest rates. Broad street, Victoria, B. C. Telephone call

SOCIETIES.

VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets first Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple, Douglas street, at 7:30 p. m.
B. S. ODDY, Secretary.

SCAVENGERS.

JULIUS WEST, General Scavenger, successor to John Dougherty—Yards and cesspools cleaned; contracts made for removing earth, etc. All orders left with James Fell & Co., Fort street, grocers; John Cochrane, corner Yates and Douglas streets, will be promptly attended to. Residence, 50 Vancouver street. Telephone 136.

VETERINARY.

S. F. TOLMIE, Veterinary Surgeon—Office at Bray's livery, 100 Johnson street. Telephone 182; residence telephone 417.

Hot for Dawson and Upper Yukon River Points.

The Victoria-Yukon Trading Co.,
LIMITED.
Have established Feed Stations at the following points: Hootalinqua, Five-Finger Rapids, Selkirk, Selwyn, Half-Way Post and Scow Island, where Hay and Oats can be purchased by parties desiring to freight goods in during the winter. For further particulars apply to the different posts or head office of the Company, Victoria, B.C.

LICENSING COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of Licensing Commissioners will sit in the Police Court, City Hall, on Wednesday, the 14th, at 2:30 p. m.

By order,
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., March 5th, 1900.

NOTICE.

Persons desirous of having a copy of the "Wave," illustrating Victoria, sent to their friends or relatives abroad free of charge, may have same so forwarded by sending address or addresses to the undersigned, City Hall.

CHAS. HAYWARD, Mayor.

Victoria, B. C., March 8th, 1900.

Perfection Orange Blend

It is not a marmalade, but the whole orange thinly sliced and preserved in its own juices, with a pure syrup of the consistency of jelly, and by a newly discovered process each slice retains the peculiar acid flavor of the navel orange, blended with the flavor of syrup.....

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Take Care of the "Little Things."

Our stock is complete in the line of toilet articles and medical requisites for baby and his mother. Inspection invited.

CYRUS H. BOWES, Chemist.
Will remove to Old Post Office, 2 doors from old stand.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 9.—5 a. m.—The ocean storm area, which was off our Coast yesterday, is crossing Northern British Columbia. It is causing heavy rains west of the Cascades, and moderate southerly gales along the Coast. This is likely to be followed by higher pressure and fair intervals in this vicinity on Saturday. The weather remains fine from Kamloops eastward to the Great Lakes, and the temperature is rising above zero in the Territories as the above storm area approaches.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday.

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong winds, shifting to S. and S. W., mild, showery at first, probably clearing on Saturday.

Lower Mainland—East and south winds, continued unsettled and mild, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 47; minimum, 43; wind, 20 miles E.; rain, .31; weather, rain.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, .36; weather, rain.

Nanaimo—Wind, 8, E.; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 48; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.52; temperature, 28; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 54; minimum, 54; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, .20; weather, cloudy.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Basket ball, Seattle vs. Victoria, at drill hall concert to-morrow night. *

—High class ladies' costume lengths sold at Geo. R. Jackson's, $6.25 up. *

—The cheapest store in town for carpenters' tools and hardware. Onions & Plimley, Broad street. *

—Have you seen the $1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street? *

—Instead of Trading Stamps we give 10 per cent. discount on all millinery and dry goods. Stevens & Jenkins, 84 Douglas street. *

—Under date of February 19, 1900, (receipt No. 22055), the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London acknowledges having received the sum of £35 16s. 11d. from Mayor Hayward, being the third instalment from the citizens of Victoria towards the Mansion House Transvaal war fund for the relief of the widows, orphans and wounded soldiers in connection with the present campaign.

—Rambler Bicycles—"the 21-year old wheels." Weiler Bros. *

—You will find it in the B. C. Guide; 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C. *

—Inspect Rambler and Ideal juvenile bicycles. Weiler Bros.' cyclery, Broad and Broughton streets. *

—The Youth and Beauty of Victoria and Vicinity procure the People's Trading Stamps at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

—See Adgie's den of ferocious lions fed at Lyceum Theatre to-night.

—The Teutonia saloon property on Government street has been purchased by Dr. Frank W. Hall, who intends to replace it by a fine brick structure.

—The Reform Episcopal school-room is to be the scene of a Red, White and Blue Conversazione on Wednesday evening next. The programme and decoration will be of a patriotic character.

—Mayor Hayward gives notice that persons wishing a copy of the Wave, illustrating Victoria, sent to friends or relatives abroad free of charge, may have same so forwarded by sending address or addresses to His Worship at the city hall.

—Work on the new summer hotel at Shawnigan Lake is proceeding rapidly under the direction of Contractor Fred. Sherbourne. The roof is now being completed, a bridge being built to the peninsula, and the grounds cleared in hopes of being completed before Good Friday.

—See Adgie in the lion's den at Lyceum Theatre to-night.

—The Saturday evening concerts in Temperance hall continue to prove a popular place of resort. Next Saturday night there will be a splendid general programme, in which members of the minstrel troup of H. M. S. Leander will take part, and several well-known vocalists, etc., of the city, the whole to conclude with a side-splitting farce entitled "Uncle Dick," by Miss and Messrs. Stewart and Brooks. Doors open at 7.30; concert at 8.15.

—The following useful donations for the benefit of the First Battalion of the Manchester Regiment who suffered so heavily at Ladysmith have been received by Mrs. Chas. Hayward. They are from Mrs. Robothan (widow of late Surgeon-General Robotham, A. M. D.), and daughters now residing at Quamichan Park, B. C.: Twelve vests, fleece-lined, 2 dozen pairs warm socks, 18 flannel bands with attachments, 11 knitted sleeping helmets, Duchess pattern, 2 dozen handkerchiefs, 20 surgical bandages, 6 linen towels (hospital use), 1 packet stationery and pencils, 2 pounds tobacco and 1 box tar soap.

—Thanks are extended by the management of the Home for the Aged and Infirm Women for the following donations for the past month: Mayor Hayward, cord of wood; Rugby Football Team, cake and jelly; Mrs. Beckford, stockings; Christ Church Cathedral Dorcas Society, pillow-slip and flannel skirts; Mrs. Goodacre, cake, buns, butter, tea and sugar; Y. W. C. T. U., doz. pillow-slips and cake; Christ Church Cathedral Willing Workers, cake and sandwiches; Mrs. Durham, cake, jacket and handkerchiefs; Miss Shannon, cake, curtains and table cover; Mrs. Hamilton, magazines; Mrs. Goodacre, table cloths; Mrs. Wm. Grant, carpet; Weiler Bros., furnishings; Mrs. Burns, toilet set; Mrs. McLennan, Salt Spring Island, preserves and vegetables.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the standard. A Pure Cream of Tartar Powder, Superior to every other known. Makes delicious cake and pastry, light, flaky biscuit, griddle cakes—palatable and wholesome.

NOTE.—Avoid baking powders made from alum. They look like pure powders, and may raise the cakes, but alum is a poison and no one can eat food mixed with it without injury to health.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO.

Don't miss Coontown 400.

—Basket ball, Seattle vs. Victoria, at drill hall concert to-morrow night. *

—Tree Pruners, Pruning Knives, Hedge Trimmers and Garden Tools cheap for cash, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

—The "Manchester Department" at Weiler Bros. is on the second floor, where you will see the finest stock of Table Linens, etc., in the city. *

—In the police court this morning the only offender was Peter, a Koyoupnot Indian, who was fined $5 and $2 costs or ten days' imprisonment for drunkenness.

—Mr. F. Hall, Adgie's manager, cordially invites the clergy to attend either of the performances to be given by his star at the Philharmonic hall on Saturday, March 10th.

See Adgie, "The Lady of Lions," and the "Mysterious Lewis." Philharmonic Hall, March 10.

—The patriotic fund at the City Hall is rapidly being augmented, the Icelanders of the city having shown their loyalty by contributing $16.25. This brings the total up to $217.30.

—Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their goods. If they do they are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore kept always before you. *

—Imperial Restaurant, cor. Douglas and View streets; special Lent dishes.

—In addition to the list already published of subscribers to the Wilson fund, the following have left subscriptions at the Times office: K. & M., $1; and A. Wood $1. The total amount has been forwarded to Mrs. Wilson, and the Times list is now closed.

—The annual congregational tea meeting of the First Congregational church will be held on Friday next. Tea will be served at 6 o'clock, after which a concert will be given, the programme for which will consist of musical and literary numbers by the best local talent.

—Basket ball, Seattle vs. Victoria, at drill hall concert to-morrow night. *

—The death occurred this morning of Henry Rudge, formerly a stone-cutter and contractor of this city. Deceased was an old resident of Victoria, having come to the place about twenty years ago. He was a native of Birmingham, England. Two sons, both of whom reside in Victoria, and several married daughters in Nanaimo, survive him. The funeral will take place from the B. C. Furnishing Co.'s parlors on Government street on Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

—Imperial Cafe for afternoon tea, Ralston's bread and buns; cosy rooms for ladies.

—The Montreal Star manufactures the following at the expense of the Native Sons, who will appreciate the testimony to their loyalty: "A good story comes from British Columbia. It appears that in the city of Victoria the younger generation, young men whose fathers came from England to make their fortunes in the West, have formed themselves into a society with a mania for everything English, and they call themselves the 'Native Sons.' The Native Sons sent a cable to the war office volunteering to go in a body to South Africa, and the war office cabled: 'No use for Indian scouts.' The Native Sons are thinking of hunting out a new name."

—The following advertisement appears in a late issue of the Honolulu Bulletin under the head of "Notice to British Subjects": The attention of British subjects is called to a proclamation by Her Majesty Queen Victoria, which is now on exhibit at this office and at the British vice-consulate at this port, referring to the state of war which exists between Her Majesty and the South African Republic and the Orange Free State, and warning Her Majesty's subjects against assisting either of said Republics in the prosecution of hostilities or against trading with the enemy. W. R. Hoare, Her Britannic Majesty's Consul. H.B.M.'s Consulate, Honolulu.

Complete change of programme Saturday evening, Coontown 400.

—The Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., will hold its annual session in the A.O.U.W. Hall, Yates street, commencing at 10 a. m., on Wednesday, the 14th inst. The meeting referred to last evening as taking place in the Alcazar Hall is consequently not that of the Grand Lodge, but the reception committee. The grand officers at present are: Grand Master Workman, E. J. Salmon, Victoria; Grand Foreman, George Adams, New Westminster; Grand Overseer, R. D. Fetherston, Vancouver; Grand Recorder, J. T. McIlmoyl, Victoria; Grand Receiver, R. T. Williams, Victoria; Grand Medical Examiner, W. A. De Wolf Smith, M.D., New Westminster; committee on finance, J. E. Church, A. Stewart and Wm. Scowcroft, of Victoria.

—After over two months of interrupted traffic on the Esquimalt car line, the tramway company this morning repaired the gap made by the repairs to Rock Bay bridge, and resumed their fifteen-minute service to the naval town. Repairs had progressed to a stage where this could have been done some time ago, but the difference between the city council and the mill companies with foreshore rights on Rock Bay bridge, with the Dominion government as a third party to the dispute, prevented the work being completed and the old service restored. Great indignation was expressed by the travelling public at the delay, as not only did it necessitate a transfer of passengers from one car to the other, but all vehicular traffic was obliged to go by way of Pleasant and John streets, which were unfit for the heavy travel over them. Last night, however, the tramway company took French leave and put on a strong force of men to complete the connection. Improvised electric lights gave ample illumination for the work and the men worked like beavers, the last spike being driven and the cars passing over to the sheds about 4 o'clock this morning.

THE PASSING THRONG.

Arrivals of the Day at the City Hotels—Gossip of the Corridors.

Mr. A. E. Howse, the well-known Similkameen mining man, is again in the city and reports the mining outlook there as very promising. Around Princeton, where Mr. Howse makes his headquarters, a large number of good properties are being developed, although none are as far advanced as the Sunset mine. The shaft in this property is now down 138 feet, at which level a drift has been run for 19 feet, and a crosscut for 38 feet without encountering the walls, shaft, drift and crosscut being in solid ore. The last assay which has been made gave 18.58 per cent. of copper and over $2 in gold. The Lost Horse is another property which is showing up well. It is owned by Robert Stevenson. Naturally a great deal of satisfaction is felt in the district at the selection of Mr. Smith Curtis, who has been identified for some time with the interests of the district, for a cabinet portfolio. It is not improbable that Mr. Howse will be a candidate in the Martin interests in West Yale, as he is a warm admirer and staunch supporter of the new premier.

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Steve Jones, proprietor of the Dominion Hotel, last night signed a contract with Jas. Baker for the construction of another large addition to the Dominion, which, when completed, will make that hotel one of the best in Western Canada. The plans for the new addition and alterations to the hotel have been prepared by E. C. Howell and the construction will be supervised by A. Maxwell Muir. The addition will add over one hundred well appointed rooms to the Yates street hotel, and will give the block a total area of 120 by 85 feet. Included in the improvements to be made is the laying out of a court 16x40 with a fountain in the centre, and the installation of the Allan-Hussey telephone system connecting the office with the various floors and the principal rooms. This will be the second hotel in Canada to instal this system.

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H. M. Hansford, in advance of the Louise Brehany Ballad and Opera Concert Co., is at the Dominion. He is making arrangements for a musical entertainment to be given by this company some time in April. Miss Louise Brehany was formerly connected with the dead Edward Remenyi, Sousa's band and numerous other managements which have demanded the best talent. W. Guillaume Sonolet, a Belgian pianist of note, formerly solo pianist to the late King of Holland and connected later with Ole Bull, Remenyi and Mme. Patti; Miss Olga Schmoll, a noted young violinist, and other distinguished artistes are included in the company.

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J. Conway, D. Conway and M. M. Sullivan are in the city. They are the advance guard of 42 Skagwayans who have arrived on the Sound to take passage to Cape Nome by the steamer Alpha.

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Rene Flaherty, of London, Ont., is at the Dominion. He comes to take home his brother, who since arriving from Dawson has been lying ill at one of the local hospitals.

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J. Stewart, S. M. Cohen, J. C. Fox, D. O. Dunn, W. Jerman and F. Schultze are at the Dominion. They are outfitting to return to the northern goldfields.

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Fred Bullock and Warde McLeod, of Toronto, are guests at the Dominion. They came West to take position in Spencer's Arcade.

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Capt. J. S. Gibson, of Chemainus, returned from the Sound this morning, and left by the morning train for the mill town.

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J. H. Falconer, formerly of this city, but who is now engaged in business at Bennett, arrived by the Cottage City.

Capt. Lloyd, the P.C.S.S. pilot, arrived from the Sound this morning to meet the incoming steamer Walla Walla.

F. J. Wheeler, of the Great Northern railway's Vancouver office, arrived from the Sound this morning.

C. L. Bingham and wife, tourists from Chicago, are among those registered at the Driard.

E. C. Hawkins, of the White Pass & Yukon railway, is said to be seriously ill in Seattle.

Capt. Sanburn, who commands one of the Yukon river steamers, is at the Victoria.

J. J. Mulhall, of the Cleeve Canning Company, of Vancouver, is at the Victoria.

A. K. Leitch and A. Leitch and wife, of Cranbrook, are guests at the Victoria.

Sheriff Hall, of Vancouver, was among the arrivals from Atlin by the Cottage City.

M. R. Whiffen, of Manitoba, is at the Dominion. He is en route to California.

P. Reuhl, a commercial traveller from Cincinnati, is registered at the Driard.

Jules La Barthe, of Trail, B. C., is among the late arrivals at the Driard.

W. E. Schultz, a commercial man of New York, is a guest at the Victoria.

Mr. and Miss Griffith, of Port Townsend, are visiting Mrs. W. Denny.

W. J. Young and A. A. Young, of Seattle, are at the New England.

Paymaster Eames, of H.M.S. Egeria, left for home this morning.

T. D. Conway, of Chemainus, is a guest at the Victoria.

C. Schwengers has left on a trip to the upper country.

O. M. Rosendall, of Nelson, B. C., is at the Driard.

F. F. McDowell, of Greenwood, is at the Dominion.

J. Elliott, a barrister of Nelson, is at the Imperial.

R. B. Hadled is at the Victoria.

Last night of the rag time opera, Coontown 400.

—Owing to the operations in connection with the renovation of the court house being now carried on in that portion occupied by the provincial police, Supt. Hussey and staff removed their effects to-day to the Burnes block, where temporary headquarters have been arranged for them.

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AGENTS.

250 DOUGLAS STREET.

NEW BISHOP FOR VICTORIA.

Rev. Father Orth, of Portland, Said to Have Been Selected to Succeed Archbishop Christie Here.

It is rumored that Rev. Father Orth, of Portland, has been appointed Bishop of this diocese. Though nothing official has yet been announced, the statement need not be disbelieved on that account, as Bishop Christie's appointments both as Bishop and Archbishop were foreshadowed in the Portland papers weeks before the news came from Rome.

Rev. Father Althoff when seen this morning said that he had received no official notification of the appointment, but that he considered it extremely probable.

The Portland Oregonian says: Eastern Catholic papers announce the appointment of Rev. B. Orth, of St. Laurence's church, of this city, as Bishop of Victoria, which includes a vast amount of territory in British Columbia. The place was formerly held by Bishop Christie, now of this diocese. Father Orth knew nothing about the matter until shown the papers, and he is inclined to believe it to be a practical joke of some of his brother priests. The fact would be no surprise, however, to those who know him, for he is among the foremost and best known of the Catholic clergy west of the Mississippi river.

"Father Orth is well deserving of the place, having officially served the Church in this state for nearly 30 years. He is a native of Germany, having been born in Rhine province, Prussia, 50 years ago. He was ordained as priest in Brussels, Belgium, in the year 1872, and came immediately to Oregon. During the next five years he worked hard in the eastern part of the state, and then came to Portland, where he has been stationed ever since. Sixteen years ago he built St. Laurence's church, on Third and Sherman streets, which was shortly followed by the erection of his beautiful residence on Sherman street, joining the church.

"Father was very reticent in speaking about his labors here. However, he played a very prominent part during his 22 years' service in this city. Together with Father Fierens, he built the old cathedral on Third and Stark streets, and during the erection of the new St. Vincent's hospital he took an important part in the labors. Father Orth was also chairman of the building committee of the archiepiscopal residence. During the reconstruction of the Catholic Sentinel, he was editor of the paper, and afterwards served in that capacity for many years. A steady string of people was constantly calling on him yesterday to offer him their congratulations."

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—The fire brigade had a run to the Dallas road this afternoon. The alarm was turned in by some one who became alarmed through seeing a rubbish fire in the yard of Mr. Fred. Hume, for which Mr. Hume had obtained a permit.

—The social dance of the Victoria Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., will be held in Castle hall on Thursday evening next. This dance was postponed from Thursday last owing to the celebration, arising out of the news received of the relief of Ladysmith.

—Ask the magic lantern exhibition to be given by Mr. Noah Shakespeare at Centennial church next Monday evening, principal among the attractions will be several selections from an orchestra of six pieces, under the leadership of Mr. T. H. Matthews. Mr. Shakespeare has secured what is known as the pearl light, which is somewhat superior to the lime light.

Don't forget matinee, Coontown 400, to-morrow at 2 p m.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Martha Redfern, mother of ex-Mayor Redfern, took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, No. 1 St. John street, and later from St. John's church. Impressive services were conducted by Rev. Percival Jenns, a large concourse of friends being in attendance, including Mayor Hayward and members of the city council. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Charles Kent, Wm. Denny, J. S. Yates, H. M. Yates, P. Austin and D. W. Higgins. At the meeting of the council on Wednesday evening, on motion of Ald. Williams, it was unanimously decided to tender a resolution to Mr. Redfern in his bereavement.

—A meeting of the sub-committee appointed by the general patriotic committee to arrange details for a grand concert to be given in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund Association, was held in the City Hall this morning, and attended by a large number interested in the coming event. The reports upon the suggestions made at the last meeting were received and favorably discussed, and it was decided that the concert shall be held in the early portion of next month. The committee in charge intend that this concert will surpass anything of the kind hitherto held in the city, and the programme will consist of literary and musical numbers by the best talent.

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Orders were received to-day from Ottawa that British Columbia may furnish sixty men for the provisional garrison at Halifax. These must be bona fide members of the active militia, must re-enlist for three years, and will later be enlisted for one year's special service at Halifax.

These men will be taken from the different corps throughout the province. The Fifth Regiment C. A., Victoria, and the Sixth Regiment Rifles, of Vancouver, will each furnish twenty men, while each of the companies of the Rocky Mountain Rangers will furnish five men. The departure from Victoria is timed for the 15th instant, next Thursday.

Single men will in this case, as in the matter of raising the contingent for South Africa, be given the preference, while all must be physically fit. Regimental orders to this effect will be issued to-day.

Members of the Fifth Regiment desiring to volunteer for this service will make their application in writing and hand them in to the orderly room, drill hall, at once.

DRILL HALL CONCERT.

International Basket Ball the Extra Attraction for To-morrow Evening.

That the Fifth Regiment band promenade concerts are becoming the attractive feature which they were formerly, is evidenced by the large and enthusiastic audiences that weekly throng the drill hall. This success is no doubt due to the excellent musical fare provided by the band, and also to the many meritorious extra attractions that have recently been presented. The extra attraction for to-morrow evening is no exception to the rule, being an exhibition game of basket ball between a team from the Seattle Athletic Club and one from our own J. B. A. A. The enterprise shown by the band in presenting this attraction at the nominal price of ten cents, and also assuming the entire expense of the Seattle team, is certainly worthy of commendation. The musical numbers are varied to suit all tastes as may be seen from the following programme:

PART I.

March—"Anglo-Saxon" ..... Brooks
Basket Ball.....Half-Time Play
Patrol—"American" ..... Meacham
Basket Ball.....Half-Time Play

PART II.

Selection fr. Planquette's charming opera—"The Chimes of Normandy" ..... arr. by Godfrey
(a) Char. Dance—"La Belle Creole" ..... Herman
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THE STOCK MARKET.

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New York, March 9.—The following are the closing quotations on the Stock Exchange: American Sugar, 97⅝; C. B. & Q., 123½; C. M. & St. P., 121; Manhattan, 152⅝; People's Gas, 94; C. R. I. & P., 107; American Tobacco, 103⅝; Atchison pfd., 66; Union Pacific pfd., 73⅝; Tenn. Coal, 92; Louisville & Nashville, 81⅝; Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 66⅝; Union Pacific com., 38½; American Steel & Wire com., 54⅝; Money loaning at 3½ per cent. Sugar Stock ex div. to-day, 1½ per cent.

Chicago Markets.

Chicago, March 9.—The following are the closing quotations on the Board of Trade: Wheat, 66⅝; Corn, 37⅝; Pork, $10.80; Liverpool Wheat, 5s 9¼d.

Novel minstrel bill to-morrow night. Coontown 400.

ATTACKED BY A TRAMP.

(Associated Press.)

Cincinnati, O., March 9.—A Marion, Ind., special to the Times-Star says: "Fred Dunker, a tramp, who brutally attacked and chloroformed Mrs. Henry Wise, wife of a prominent farmer, six miles south of Marion, and who with great difficulty was placed in the Marion jail last night to protect him from the indignant neighbors, was removed early to-day with great secrecy to the jail at Walsh, Ind., by the sheriff. The mob made strong demonstrations during the night, and twice very nearly succeeded in getting possession of the prisoner."

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War at Odd Moments--Revelling Alternately in Peace and Hostilities,

By Julian Ralph, Special Correspondent of the London Daily Mail.

Modder River, Dec. 30.

War has as many faces and places as Dame Fortune herself. For weeks we of Lord Methuen's force were aptly described as a flying column—a flying and fighting column we were, leaping northward, and dealing blows right and left as we coursed.

We were not sure of our meals in those days; in fact, we were more nearly certain of not getting them. We came to a pause after the fight on the Modder, but the fever was still on us, and, presently, "up and at them" was the cry, and we fought the biggest battle of all four at Magersfontein.

Since then the wind has gone out of our sails, and we are waiting for a new supply in the forms of men and munitions. We seem to have leased this little watering-place from the Kimberleyites, whose retreat it used to be.

If we used cards in the army we would have now ones printed

With This Address.

We have made ourselves at home here. A market has been established for us, and we are having fresh eggs and genuine milk, new vegetables and butter, to say nothing of formal dinners to our generals and our friends from other messes. Books are coming into camp, and we are reading and lending them around. Our horses are used only for afternoon rides, and there are even men among us who fish at times in the river—which in other respects has become a laundry and a horse trough, where the foot soldiers wash their khaki, and the troopers water their steeds.

I would not risk giving any one the idea that we are idle. I believe time was that soldiers lounged and dawdled a great deal—hence the term "sojering" applied to a lazy mechanic who avoids hard work. But those were not even nineteenth century soldiers, and here we are within a day of the twentieth century. No, we truly think that we are having an easy time, but the term is merely comparative. Tommy has to take his turn at picket duty—one night in four—at trench digging, at scouting, or patrol work if he is a mounted man. He has to cook and wash, and undergo inspection, and be up at daybreak, and look after his rifle and accoutrements. And other hundreds of men keep army service stores and deal out forage and rations, clothes, boots, puttles, and do blacksmithing, horse-shoeing, harness-mending, carpentering, and I know not what all; while the engineers build trenches and bridges, mend culverts and the railway road-bed, and put in order the tanks and windmills that

Got Comminuted Fractures

in the last great battle. In all the world there are not many trades as active and laborious as this same "soldering" which once bore such a poor nickname.

The queer thing about us here is that we are making ourselves believe that we're at rest; and our surroundings help to strengthen the delusion. For our surroundings form a complete picture of peace they symbolize calm and leisure; they wear a Sabbath air of village restfulness. Come to my quarters, which, happily, command the whole camp, and by what you see you shall understand my meaning. That done, I will destroy your impression, for it is wholly false. As the sages have said in every tongue, "This world is all a seeming."

The men who report for the Daily Mail, the Times, Reuter's, the Morning Post, Black and White, and one or two other publications, have moved their mule trunks into a queer little mud-walled hotel on the "island" where the Modder marries the Riet. I am told this is the Bournemouth of Kimberley, and that in other years the riverside trees have sheltered many tents and camps of summer loiterers from the diamond fields, that the Kimberley belles and beaux have haunted the darker corners of my stoep at night, that the music of violin and piano and of dancing boots has tickled the air of the dining-room, while the soberer men have

Studied Colored Cards

and jingled coins at tables in the bedrooms. I am afraid these folk would not know the place this year any more than I can imagine it as they have known it. A shrapnel shell burst in the dining-room, another ventilated the bedroom of the Times, and a third has made a new window in the wall of Number 5. All the walls are rendered like the tops of so many pepper-pots by Mauser bullets, and in a storm it always rains harder in the hotel than outside.

However, stand with me on my stoep. The green trees of the riverside are bathed in sunshine and trembling in a soft breeze. They are so small that we can look over them to the other trees around the store, the station, and the Crown and Royal hotel. The veldt lies at one side, and far away are many lines of tents, which ought, perhaps, to suggest war, but yet manage to increase the note of rest and order, quiet and calm, which sweetly sounds in everything else. The farthest object on the veldt is a gangger's hut on the railway to the left, and then the view closes with a soft rolling purple line of hills. The level yellow veldt, the village among the trees, the brilliant blue sky with white clouds lazily afloat beneath it, and the smooth undulating bluish hills, how perfect a scene of peace these make.

Now saddle up two horses and ride with me to the gangger's hut. Why, hello! there's a huge khaki-colored cannon.

The Shape of a Stock Bottle!

And a lot of men in strange, broad-brimmed hats are standing near it. They are men of the Naval Brigade, and the gun is a 4.7 from the Doris.

"Did you ever see any Boers?" an officer calls out to us.

"Very few," say I; "just the prisoners we have taken"—for we are fighting an invisible foe, as every one knows by this time.

"Well, have a look through this." He taps the gun's telescope as he speaks, and we look through it.

"Heavens! are those Boers?" We see them all over the hills in numbers like plant lice on a leaf. They are all over the hills—riding, walking, sitting in groups, looking over redoubts, digging trenches, passing water up the slope—the little range of purple breasts is alive with Boers.

Then we must have been mistaken about the peacefulness of this place. Peace where all those Boers are! There has been no peace in Africa since the Boers came here; no peace for the British since they became the Boers' neighbors.

We are to lunch with the Guards, and we shall be late if we do not hurry. Ah, here's their mess tent, and they have begun to eat. Welcomed, and places made for us, we seat ourselves and are served with soup. Boom! soof—soof—soof—soof—soof—soof—cough! The boom is the noise of a big gun, the soof—soof is the shell tearing through the air; the cough—precisely like a cough—is

The Bursting of the Shell.

"That's our Joey," says the colonel; "let us see where the shell strikes! By Jove! a pretty shot—plumb where they have their 40-pounder!"

"Boom!" from the Boer gun on the right; "Ugh!" from its shell, which sends up a fountain spray of sand near the gangger's hut.

"Didn't burst," says a captain.

"Devilish good range, though!" says another. And now we are out of the tent sending for glasses, forgetting our lunch, intent upon this gigantic duel.

How frequently does this happen? How often is this vale of pastoral peace startled by such sounds and actions? Oh, as a rule, every morning with a shot or two; every afternoon with from half an hour to two hours' firing, and then again at odd and unexpected hours on odd and unlooked-for days. We shook the Boers up at eleven o'clock the other night. We had set our big guns by daylight to hit their best positions, and a battery of 12-pounders to rake their trenches. Then, when it was near midnight, we let fly. Our 12-pounders sent a hail of shrapnel shot into their trenches, and they imagined that our infantry were shooting, so a mile or two of men in their trenches, opened fire on the black night, and satisfied us of the state of funk they are in. I say "satisfied" us because on the previous night they had loosed a mile or two of rifles far on our right for no reason that we could discover, though an ingenious theorist in camp holds that a mule must have strayed up against the barbed-wire fence, strung along before their trenches.

This morning we had merely exchanged a round or two of civilities with our neighbors, and flattered ourselves that this would suffice for that day, for, as a rule, these things are left to us, and it is we who make the welkin ring. An hour or two later 150 Reservists came to join the Yorkshire Light Infantry, and were paraded well forward on the veldt to be seen, and addressed by the brigadier-general. They were strung along in a lengthy double line, and the Boers must have thought them threatening, for bang! came

A Solid Shell

into the veldt 500 yards before them. It was comical then to note how the older men, experienced in this war, aired their experience before the new comers.

"That's nothing," they said; "mustn't think anything of that. We have that every hour or two. You'll soon get used to it. We have it at night, too; but you mustn't get jumpy when the cans come rattling among the tents, because, really, there's no harm at all in them Boer shells."

In this way we alternately revel in peace and in war. To-day we go out a few miles and destroy some farmhouses which are proven nests of sniping Boers. To-morrow it is the Boer patrol which rides interestingly near one of our naval guns. Now it is at daybreak that we send them our compliments, and next we are "boomed" out of bed and forced to dress twice in an hour, at midnight, as we hear the roar of great guns and the crackle of artillery. On Christmas alone, of all the days since we took to the field, have we enjoyed a full day of uninterrupted peace. JULIAN RALPH.

THE COAL TRADE.

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J. W. Harrison, of San Francisco, in his coal and metal report for the week ending on Saturday last, says:

During the week there have been three arrivals of coal from British Columbia with 10,507 tons, two from Washington 4,940 tons, two from Oregon 980 tons, total 16,427 tons. This is considerably less than the actual quantity consumed here this week, hence our position is not improving; besides, the Alaska fleet have commenced to take delivery of their fuel for the season, at British Columbia, thus necessitating some delay in getting what coal is demanded for our local uses. Prices are unchanged with no apparent desire on the part of producers to advance same. Fortunately for some of our factories, crude oil is being substituted temporarily, thus easing the strain that would otherwise exist for coal fuel. Australian and English products are seldom asked for now by large consumers, as their prices have become almost prohibitory. Coal quotations in the Colonies have not been advanced, but freights are high and carriers are not procurable, as Honolulu is a more profitable port for vessels to seek. Freights on coal from England are less than from Australia, but coal values have been in some cases advanced over one hundred per cent., which shuts those ports out for future fuel supplies. Before the end of this month there will be some new steam colliers drilled into the service; these combined with a decreased consumption for house purposes, will ease up our present congestion.

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The Maritime Express from Halifax, St. John and other points east will arrive at Montreal daily, except on Monday, at 5:30 p.m.

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Provincial News.

SANDON.

A snowslide at the Noble Five mine yesterday morning killed Fred. Sheppard, married, of Cody, B.C., and Alex. McFarlane, single, of West Bay, Cape Breton; and also injured a man named McNeill.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The Mansion House Fund has received another substantial addition by a remittance to the Bank of Montreal of $201, from subscribers in Delta municipality.

The funeral of the late James McLeod took place on Wednesday under the auspices of Lord of the Isles Lodge, Sons of Scotland. The services at the house were conducted by Chief A. E. Vert.

At the meeting of the Choral Society held on Tuesday evening, it was decided to give up the projected "Messiah" performances and discontinue practices for this season.

CHILLIWACK.

Mr. G. W. Chadsey returned on Friday from Victoria. While there he underwent most successful surgical treatment for a slight facial growth which has been troubling him lately. Dr. Ernest Hall performed the operation.

The tidings of the relief of Ladysmith was received early on Thursday morning and was hailed with every sign of rejoicing. Flags were flying all day and congratulations were universal. At morning recess the children of the public school were lined up, and after singing several patriotic songs, were dismissed for the day. Shortly after noon a large wagon containing the band of the Coqualeetza Institute came in and serenaded the town for several hours.

VANCOUVER.

Nearly $200 was spent for hack and express hire by the police department last year, which is causing the advocacy of a regular patrol wagon. There is, however, a considerable difference between the sum of $200 and the cost and keep of a horse and wagon.—News-Advertiser.

A commodious building is being erected by the Chinese residents of Chinatown in which their sick and destitute will be cared for. The building is on the False Creek foreshore. The building will contain ten bedrooms.

In discussing the offer of the late government of a new cemetery site of 201 acres at Hastings, at a price of about $15,000, the health committee decided that the matter could only be taken up under a special by-law.

The estimates for the year were taken up and gone into in detail, and will be submitted to the council on Monday. The items included the sum of $1,000 for relief purposes. Last year this sum was slightly exceeded.

The Vancouver fire department responded to nine calls last month. The damage to property amounted to less than $20, but unfortunately one life was lost in a lamp explosion. This is the first life lost by fire in Vancouver for nearly three years.

The city hospital report for the month of February shows that 48 cases were admitted during the month, 43 were discharged and 5 died. On January 31st there were 61 cases in the hospital while on March 1st the patients numbered 68. The receipts for the month were $560.50.

The medical health officer reports twenty-three infectious cases in Vancouver during the month of February. Scarlet fever, 2; typhoid, 4, and several chickenpox cases were the most serious.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Balfour, replying to a question, said the recommendation for the formation of a regiment of Royal Irish Guards, of which the first colonelcy would be given to Lord Roberts, would be submitted to the Queen and undoubtedly would be favorably considered.

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If such persons would lay their prejudices aside and make a regular practice of taking, after each meal, one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets the food would be quickly and thoroughly digested, because these tablets contain the natural peptones and diastase which every weak stomach lacks, and by supplying this want the stomach is soon enabled to regain its natural tone and vigor.

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"BRUSH AND PENCIL."

The present number of Brush and Pencil has for its initial article an estimate of Edward Emerson Simmons, as a painter of easel pictures and mural decorations, which is also well illustrated. His most recent decoration, "The Justice of the Law," is here produced for the first time. Adelaide S. Hall, chairman of art committee of the general federation of woman's clubs, has a very readable paper on "The Demand for Art in America." "A New Movement in American Architecture," by George R. Dean, with interesting illustrations, is another important article. The Pennsylvania academy's sixty-ninth annual exhibition is ably commented upon by F. J. Ziegler, and is well illustrated. Other articles, Vanderpoel's Drawings of the Human Figure, Notes and Editorials, fill out a very interesting number. The color plate is a fac-simile of J. H. Sharp's "The Chant," reproduced by a new process which preserves the tone of the original to a remarkable degree. The painting is described by the artist in a note. The number is also enlivened with two beautiful inserts; one, "A Family Group," by George De Forest Brush, suggesting an old master in its richness; the other, "The Getty Door," by Louis H. Sullivan, architect, which is a masterpiece of design and modelling.

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Patrick Donogan, father of Private John Donogan, who was among the Canadians killed in the Modder River fight on February 18th, died yesterday at the family residence, 559 Osborne street, London, Ont., aged 87 years. He has not been well since the news came of his son's death.

Canadian Mounted Rifles

Colonel Evans and His Staff are Preparing for the Campaign.

Canadian Mounted Rifles,
Stanley Barracks,
Toronto, 6th February, 1900

Dear Sirs,

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Mining News

Around Burnt Basin.

The Rossland Miner says:

Rosslanders being so much interested in that most promising camp, and as quite a number are at the present time getting ready to commence operations, a description of some of the properties and what is intended doing, may not be out of place here.

The Tammany expects to send out a force of men shortly to commence development, which will be carried on steadily during the summer, when it is expected that enough ore will be blocked out to warrant the management to put up a ten-stamp mill. With the present showings, this group promises to be a valuable piece of property. It is owned by the Tammany Gold Mining & Milling Company of Rossland, and consists of four full claims and four fractions, viz., the Tammany, Burnt Basin, Gold Nugget, Jim Blaine, Tammany Fraction and Jim Blaine Fraction, covering in all nearly 300 acres. On the Tammany a quartz vein in traceable over 500 feet, breaking through at intervals of 30 and 50 feet. At one point an open cut was made showing 15 feet of quartz, with only one wall in sight. Like its neighbor, a great deal of free gold was encountered in this cut, which is plainly discernable to the naked eye, the assays obtained being $8.40, $12.15, $96.80 and $493. On the Tammany Fraction is a quartz vein, from two to four feet wide, which has been uncovered quite a distance, giving good values in gold. On the Burnt Basin a quartz ledge has been opened up along the lead in various places, showing it to average about four feet. The values received from this vein range from $5 to $35. On the Jim Blaine a large open cut has been made, showing 15 feet, with neither wall in sight, of a heavy mineralized vein of iron and copper. The Gold Nugget has a lead of quartz, which is traceable nearly the entire length of the claim, varying from four to eight feet in width. This is a contact vein lying between porphyry and granite, the values being similar to the Tammany. On this claim there is also a galena ledge uncovered, showing 14 inches of clean ore, which assays from $27 to $45 in silver and lead.

Big Chief.—Mr. C. Willarson, who is also president of the Mystery Gold Mining Company, returned recently from Spokane, where he was able to get capital interested to operate on the Big Chief group, which consists of three full-sized claims and has two large veins, one of which is traceable the full length of one claim, opened up by cuts, which varies in width from 40 to 50 feet, and carrying fairly good values in gold and copper. Mr. Willarson has been making preparations necessary before commencing work.

Cooper's Group is owned by [illegible]ard Cooper, of Rossland, who intends leaving this week to commence operations. It consists of five claims and may be termed a grass-root proposition, as it has had high grade ore from the surface. On one claim a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 20 odd feet, at the bottom of which is a vein of four feet of lead and zinc, carrying high values in silver and gold. On another a gold and copper vein has been uncovered for over 300 feet, showing a large and strong ledge all the way through, which averages good shipping values.

The Enofsnore is another property that has been worked steadily all winter. The tunnel has been driven 108 feet, which, on the surface, gave good values in gold, silver and copper.

The Unexpected is owned by the Unexpected Mines, Limited, of Rossland, of which George H. Hinton, of Vancouver and Victoria, is president, and J. D. McDonald, of Rossland, secretary. A good sized block of stock was disposed of in the coast cities, which places the company in a good financial condition, and it is the intention of the management to commence development work in the near future.

The Mother Lode.—This property is so well known that it would be needless to say anything of it, unless that it has got beyond the prospect stage, and has enough of high grade ore blocked out that will make it pay for its own development, put up a ten-stamp mill and compressor.

The Gold King adjoins Cooper's group and has a quartz vein showing free gold about six feet wide.

The Jackstraw, owned by Sharpe and Hunter, is another free gold property, which will be worked very soon.

The John Bull has been working a force of men all winter in driving a long tunnel that is expected to crosscut an ore body where two veins intersect. In the upper tunnel, which tapped one ledge, good values were received.

The Harlem group is situated north of the Mother Lode and Unexpected, and is owned by Belgrove, Montgomery, Kellar and others. It has been working steadily all winter. On one large vein a shaft was sunk to a depth of 40 feet, then crosscut from wall to wall which showed a large body of galena, copper and gold ore.

The Kitty group consists of six claims, adjoins the Mother Lode on the east, and have good surface showings of gold and copper quartz.

Among other promising claims that will be developed to a more or less extent this season, are the Eva Bell, Alhambra, Buckingham, Gold Question, Stolberg, Bonanza Group, Grizzley Bear, Orion, Edison Group, Blue Monday, Contract, Mountain View, Dolomite, Snowdrift, Topic and Treasury.

Inside of the mineral belt, which is about two miles wide, are found three different kinds of ore, quartz carrying free gold, solid and concentrating galena, and the copper-gold ores, similar to the Boundary mines, and which are found bursting through or lying alongside of the exact formation.

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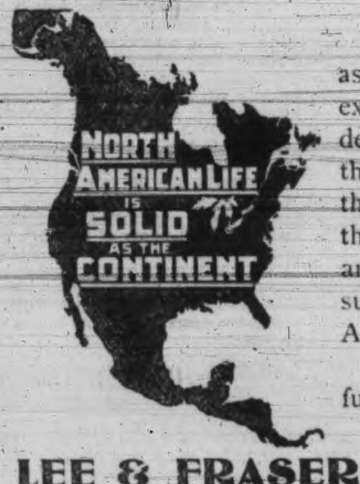

The old maxim, "Better late than never," as applied to Life Insurance, is not true—for example, if you are in good health to-day and defer insuring your life till TO-MORROW, and then a fatal sickness overtakes you, you are then uninsurable. To the PROVIDENT man this should suggest attending to this important matter NOW, while health permits, by insuring in a solid company, such as the NORTH AMERICAN LIFE.

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To the Public of Victoria.

In view of the possible introduction of smallpox from the neighboring state of Washington, the provincial government has in contemplation the putting into force of "The Regulations of the Provincial Board of Health re Smallpox."

These "Regulations" give the Local Board of Health power to compel all persons who have not been vaccinated within the last 7 years to be vaccinated.

In the opinion of the Local Board the present circumstances do not indicate the enforcing of "compulsory vaccination," but for the purpose of safeguarding the public health the Board would earnestly advise all persons to whom these "Regulations" would apply to be at once vaccinated. Any one unable to pay will be vaccinated free by any physician in Victoria. A supply of pure fresh bovine vaccine is in the hands of all the physicians in the city.

I have the honor to be, etc.,

R. L. FRASER, M. D.,
Medical Health Officer

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the License Commissioners for the District of Esquimalt will be held in the Blue Ribbon Hall, Esquimalt, on the 22nd March instant, to consider an application for the transfer of the New Inn hotel license, Esquimalt, from Fred. McAdam to Robert Doran, of Esquimalt.

D. CAMPBELL,
Chief License Inspector.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners at the City of Victoria, B. C., for a transfer of the retail liquor license (now held by me) of the Bee Hive Saloon, situate at the corner of Fort and Broad streets, to Denis Gray.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 1900.

(Signed) P. BURKE.

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-Law.

I hereby give notice that such of the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, as are entitled to vote on a by-law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality, are requested to attend at the polling place, or places, of the ward or wards of the said Municipality, at which they are so entitled to vote, on Friday, the 16th day of March, 1900, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., and to record their votes for or against the passage of the Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-Law, a copy of which By-Law is published in the Victoria Daily Times, and copies whereof are posted up at the City Hall, and at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street, and also in each ward; and to take notice that said By-Law will not be valid, or of any effect, unless the vote polled in favor thereof be at least a three-fifths majority of the votes polled.

The polling places are as follows, viz.: For the North Ward, Central Ward and South Ward will be held at the Public Market Building, fronting on Cormorant street.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 28th day of February, 1900.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
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A BY-LAW

TO RAISE THE SUM OF $200,000 TO SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF VICTORIA OF DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE POINT ELLICE BRIDGE ACCIDENT.

Whereas it is expedient to raise a sum of money for the purpose of settling all just claims now pending in the Supreme Court of British Columbia against the Corporation of the City of Victoria in respect of damages alleged to have been received in the Point Ellice bridge accident in the year 1896, and for that purpose of to raise the sum of two hundred thousand dollars;

And whereas it will require the sum of thirteen thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars ($13,485.00) to be raised annually by rate for payment of the new debt and interest;

And whereas the whole ratable land and improvements or real property of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria according to the last revised Assessment Roll for the year 1899 is $13,907,814;

And whereas it will require an annual rate of one mill and one-sixth of a mill in the dollar for paying such new debt and interest;

And whereas this By-law shall not be altered or repealed except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council;

And whereas a petition, under Section 69 of the "Municipal Clauses Act," has been presented to the Municipal Council signed by the owners of more than one-tenth of the value of the real property in the said city requesting the said Council to introduce a By-law with the hereinbefore recited objects:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation, by way of the Debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000.00) currency (or sterling money at the rate of four dollars and eighty-six and two-third cents to the pound sterling), and to cause all such sums so raised and received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of Debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000.00) either in currency or sterling money (at the rate of four dollars and eighty-six and two-thirds cents to the one pound sterling) as may be required, each of the said Debentures being of the amount of one thousand dollars or its sterling equivalent, at the rate aforesaid, and all such Debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. The said Debentures shall bear date the first day of April, 1900, and shall be made payable in twenty-five years from the said date at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. The said Debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half-yearly at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be expressed in the Debentures and coupons.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause the said Debentures and the interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be desired.

6. For the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the interest on the said Debentures during their currency there shall be raised annually the sum of eight thousand dollars, and for the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the debt at maturity there shall be raised annually the sum of five thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars.

7. The said annual sums in the next preceding paragraphs mentioned shall be raised and levied in each year by a rate sufficient therefor on all the ratable land or improvements or real property in the Municipality of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria during the continuance of the said Debentures or any of them.

8. This By-law shall, before the final passage thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided for by the Municipal Clauses Act and amendments thereto, and shall take effect on the first day of April, 1900.

9. This By-law may be cited as the "Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-law."

Passed the Municipal Council the 27th day of February, 1900.

NOTICE.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-law upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street, for the North, South and Central Wards, on Friday, the 16th day of March, 1900, that the poll will be kept open between the hours of 8 o'clock a.m., and 4 o'clock p.m., and that Wm. W. Northcott has been appointed the Returning Officer of the said vote.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office, C. M. C.
Victoria, B. C., 28th February, 1900.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for a transfer to John Colgdarippe of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Telegraph hotel, situate on Store street, in the City of Victoria.

Dated this first day of February, 1900.

FRED. STURM.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their meeting to be held on the 14th day of March, 1900, for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors upon the premises known as the Adelphi Saloon, situated on the corner of Yates and Government streets, Victoria, from myself to William Roberts.

Dated this twenty-first day of November, 18[illegible].

HENRY HARRIS.

The Ameer and Britain

The Reason Why Russia Fears to Advance Through Afghanistan.

A War Would Lead to a General Rising of All Islam.

Ameer Willing to Send Troops to Aid the British in Africa.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9, 5:42 p.m.—The Ameer of Afghanistan has authorized his agent in London to publish the following statement of policy of Afghanistan towards Great Britain and Russia. After saying that he had devoted much anxious thought to the possibility of Russia taking advantage of the Transvaal war to advance through Afghanistan on India, His Highness adds:

"I have come to the conclusion that Russia feared Afghanistan, as a war with the Afghans would mean a general rising of all Islam, which would spread through Russian Asia. Russia had not troops enough to combat such a rising. Her hold on the Mussulman countries she has conquered, is insecure. They hate her, and with ten times her power Russia could not fight Afghanistan and India successfully. The Afghans prefer death to slavery, and their women and children being taken by the Russians."

After saying he is willing to send numerous troops to help Great Britain in the Transvaal, but adding that the Afghans are unaccustomed to the sea, the Ameer says: "But England's troubles are always my troubles, their strength is my strength, and her weakness is my weakness. England must remember that I am always ready to fight for her on land, here or in India."

The Ameer refers to a letter from the Indian government reminding him that he had been faithful for twenty years, and advising retrenchment in the purchase of arms, as otherwise parliament might become suspicious. He takes strong exception to such suspicions, saying it was necessary to keep the country strong enough to resist a Russian advance.

The Ameer concluded by likening the British parliament to Cabul Turkish baths which reverberated with a babel of calls for towels, soap, etc., and loud voiced conversation until the meaning of individual words and even the words themselves became lost in the confusion of sounds and only increased the general uproar.

"DROWNING THE SHAMROCK."

Mr. O'Brien Will Ask Government to Give a Shilling to Each Irish Soldier.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—In the House of Commons to-day Patrick O'Brien, Nationalist for Kilkenny, will ask the government to give a shilling to each soldier on St. Patrick's Day to enable him fittingly to celebrate the occasion by "Drowning the Shamrock."

LORD PAUNCEFOTE.

United States Government Anxious He Should Remain at Washington.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—The Daily News says: "It is known that the United States government was most anxious that Lord Pauncefote should remain at Washington, and his tact will be invaluable during the troubled period of the presidential contest."

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, March 9.—Stock exchange, morning board — War Eagle, 132½, 130½; Payne, 130, 129; Montreal & London, 40, 29; Republic, 101, 99. Sales —Payne, 500 at 128, 1,000 at 128½, 7,000 at 129, 2,000 at 129¾, 500 at 130; Montreal & London, 100 at 30; Republic, 1,500 at 99.

BIG OIL DEAL.

(Associated Press.)

Toledo, O., March 9.—The English Petroleum Syndicate of London, foreign branch of the Standard Oil Company, is reliably reported to have closed a gigantic deal in the Ohio oil fields. The company absorbs the Cudahy combination of Chicago. The consideration is said to be $7,500,000.

STEAMER SUNK.

(Associated Press.)

Calais, France, March 9.—The British steamer Windsor picked up the second mate and two seamen belonging to the steamer Cuvier, which was sunk in collision with an unknown steamer, the rest of whose crew, it is feared, were drowned.

AMERICAN LADY HONORED.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, March 9.—Miss Ella Little, an American, has received a doctorate at the university of Heidelberg. This is the first time the distinction has fallen to a woman.

HON. E. J. PHELPS'S CONDITION.

(Associated Press.)

New Haven, Conn., March 9.—The condition of Hon. E. J. Phelps, ex-minister to England, is unchanged, except that he is slowly sinking.

THE QUEEN'S RECEPTION.

London Papers Says Yesterday's Demonstration Were Without Precedent.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—Editorials in the morning papers admit that yesterday's demonstrations were quite without precedent and they teem with patriotic expression of gratification at the Queen's opportune and tactful contribution toward the unity of the Empire.

The Times says the Queen has had many royal greetings, but it is doubtful whether the spontaneous and exuberant enthusiasm of yesterday have ever been equalled.

Commenting upon the Queen's visit to Ireland and the speech of John Redmond in the House of Commons, the Times says: "Redmond performed his difficult task with excellent judgment and tact."

The Daily News, which describes the demonstration as an "Improvised Jubilee, in some ways even more impressive than the Diamond Jubilee," says its significance is beyond question. Nor can it be doubted that Her Majesty's visit to Ireland will also be a great success. Mr. Redmond's remarks in the House were well conceived and well expressed."

The Telegraph says: "The demonstration has never been equalled by any other nation. Even the Queen herself has never known a demonstration of love and loyalty so deep, so poignant, so inexpressible in solicitude and tenderness, so touching and so thrilling. The bonds between the Empire and the Queen today are those of living, breathing, chivalrous devotion."

Another Visit to the City.

London, March 9.—The Queen, accompanied by the Princess of Wales and Princess Henry of Battenberg, drove through the west end this afternoon. There were great assemblages everywhere along the route, and they cheered Her Majesty unceasingly. The bells of St. Margaret's pealed, and the members of the House of Commons cheered vociferously as the Queen passed Westminster at 5:03 o'clock.

NICARAGUAN CANAL.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, March 9.—The senate committee on foreign relations to-day agreed to report the Hay-Pauncefote treaty amending the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, to grant authority for the defence of the canal by this country when constructed.

The following is the text of the amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty: "Insert at the end of section five of article two the following: It is agreed, however, that none of the immediately foregoing conditions and stipulations in sections number one, two, three, four, five, of this act, shall apply to measures which the United States may find it necessary to take for securing by its own forces, the defence of the United States and the maintenance of public order."

HE PREFERRED DEATH.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, March 9.—Archibald Carle was sentenced to penitentiary for 25 years for killing Hector Mackenzie. The judge asked the prisoner if he had anything to say before sentence was imposed? "Yes," replied Carle, "grant me a new trial so that I may plead guilty to murder and be hanged. I much rather would die on the gallows than go to prison for 25 years. If your honor will grant me a new trial I promise to plead guilty to murder so that I may get the rope."

Judge Brentano refused to grant a new trial.

THE MACHINISTS' STRIKE.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, March 9.—The Canadian representative of the International Machinists' Union has caused a statement to be issued that should any attempt be made by Chicago firms to have their work done in Canada owing to the strike in that city, Canadian machinists would be called out. A large employer here has intimated that Canadian manufacturers, in the present active condition of trade, would do nothing to participate trouble.

SIR CHARLES HALL DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—Mr. Chas. Hall died today in his 58th year. The Right Honorable Sir Charles Hall, K. C. M. G., was born in 1843. He had been recorder of the city of London, and at the time of his death was a member of parliament from the Holborn division of Finbury.

AMALGAMATED SOCIALISTS.

(Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., March 9.—Eugene V. Debs, who declined last night the nomination for president by the Amalgamated Socialists, consented to-day to accept. Joe Harriman will be nominated for vice-president.

DEATHS.

(Associated Press.)

Brockville, March 9.—John Murray, for seventy years a resident of this city, is dead.

Goderich, March 9.—Rod. M. Fraser, a well known young business man of this place, died suddenly while witnessing a curling match here last evening.

Ayer's Pills

Look at your tongue! If it's coated, your stomach is bad, your liver out of order. Ayer's Pills will clean your tongue, cure your dyspepsia, make your liver right. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c. All druggists.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE for the Whiskers

With the Canadians

A Letter From the Times Correspondent With the First Contingent

Cornwall and His Perambulator --Hope to Be Home by Queen's Birthday.

How Those in the Rear Guard Awaited News of the Battle.

The following letter received from the Times correspondent with the first Canadian contingent has been opened under martial law and censored. The envelope is closed with two large stamps, bearing the legend "opened under martial law," and on the corner is "Censored. W. D. Otter, Lieut.-Col., Acting Censor, Belmont, S. A."

Belmont Camp, Jan. 21, 1900.

"A" Company has marched out to-day probably to Richmond to relieve refugees, and it is possible they may attack a Boer laager. Richmond lies in the direction of Douglas. "A" Company R. H. A. and Victoria Mounted Rifles have gone, and "G" Company leaves to-morrow. I am unable to obtain any more particulars. The men have five days' rations. Fighting is probable.

Belmont Camp, Jan. 23, 1900.

No news has yet leaked out in regard to movements of "A" Company. It was generally known last night that there had been a few casualties on our side, but I cannot find out if they were men of the British Columbia section. To-morrow I hope to learn something.

Our camp was moved to the other side of the railroad this morning, north of the station, and about 800 yards from the old position.

I met Cornwall this morning with a big slouch hat on, trundling a perambulator containing rubber sheets, grub, etc. He cut a very comical figure. For the moment the railway and veldt vanished. I saw him in the middle of Government street similarly attired and occupied. He was left in camp owing to a scratched leg which had suppurated, and although improving was not sufficiently healed to permit of his marching. Corp. Lohman is also here with a blistered foot. Very few of "A" Company are here. Our "Colored Bloke" (Color-Sergt. Holmes) has been taken to Orange River suffering with typhoid.

The second lot of the Black Watch passed through this afternoon on their way to Modder River. They had come straight from the steamer at Capetown. I managed to borrow a copy of the Nuuas number of the Canadian Magazine, and showed it to the B. C. boys. They all had a good look at Savannah's photograph, and could not make out who the whiteshirted individual is standing behind between Lieut. Blanchard and Sergt. Northcott.

Personally I think we shall see the Indian canoe races up the Gorge next Queen's birthday celebration week.

SEYMOUR HASTINGS O'DELL.

Belmont Camp, Jan. 24.—Still no news of our boys. If anything here is known of their doings or whereabouts it is kept a profound secret. We are all very anxious, and as each day comes and goes and nothing official is given out we wonder and think, and expect the worst. Every day increases the power of the censor over telegrams, and it is whispered that any letters suspected to be sent to the press will be opened and read, and allowed to go through the mail only if they contain little or no news. I am sending this letter in the care of a trusty friend, who I know will see that it reaches its proper destination.

Jan. 25.—Our boys are expected back to-night or to-morrow morning from Richmond. One of the men from the Victoria Mounted Rifles was brought in wounded, but gave no details of the fight. He has been sent down to Orange River. A company of each of the Northumberland Fusiliers, North Lancashire and the Yorkshire Light Infantry were here yesterday, and left this morning for Orange River and De Aar. They have come from Modder River, and are going to join Gen. French's column. They informed me that Magersfontein would be held and our troops, French's and Buller's, pushed up through the Orange Free State, and if possible attack the Boers in the rear by way of Jacobsdal. Every day we expect to hear of the relief of Ladysmith. It should come this week.

Magersfontein, from all accounts, is impregnable, and is probably held by a strong force of Boers. Lord Methuen has from eight to ten thousand men with him. It is surprising how well informed the Boers are of our movements. If a column should go out at Modder River the enemy knows of it and his big guns keep pointing in its direction. His guns are placed on rails and are moved in whichever direction we may happen to be.

Yesterday we had the worst dust storm since we have been in South Africa, followed by heavy rain.

SEYMOUR HASTINGS O'DELL.

AN OLD THEORY EXPLODED.

The old-fashioned theory of tearing down disease was entirely changed by the advent of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, which cures by creating new rich blood and nerve tissue. Through the medium of the circulation and the nervous system they strengthen and invigorate every organ in the human body.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, caused by a persistent rasping cough. Pyny-Pectoral quickly cures the most severe coughs. It soothes, heals, never fails to cure. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

SHIPPING NEWS

Happenings of a Day Along the Waterfront.

The Seattle transportation companies are still at work endeavoring to stop the Alpha landing her cargo at Cape Nome. Yesterday afternoon the following telegram was received from the United States collector at Seattle, P. J. Moran: "Steamship companies will have to show permits to land at Cape Nome." On the receipt of this message, at the request of local companies, the following telegram was sent by United States Consul A. E. Smith to Hon. J. Sage, secretary of the treasury of the United States: "Ship owners here request telegram as follows: 'Can British ships carry British goods, enter Dutch harbor, pay duty and discharge at Nome? Please wire reply.' Up to the hour of going to press this afternoon no reply had been received. The contention of the Seattle people that the Alpha cannot land at the nearest port or sub port of entry in the event of Nome not being made a port of entry is absurd, for in the international shipping laws there is nothing to prevent this being done. A steamer or ship may land and enter at any port of entry near their destination, and then go onto wherever their cargo is to be landed. This afternoon the Alpha's owners dispatched a telegram to Lord Pauncefote at the British legation at Washington, asking him to take this matter up.

Notice is given by the department of marine that the signal station at Tatoosh Island, at the outer extremity of the straits, is not to be again established. The station will be kept permanently at Baadah Point, Neah Bay, a much superior place for meteorological purposes and the reporting of passing vessels. The Neah Bay station displays signals for the approach of all dangerous winds and is fully equipped with international code signals. Communication can be had therewith for the purpose of obtaining information concerning the approach of storms, weather coditions in general, and for the purpose of sending telegrams to points on commercial lines. Any message signalled by the international code, received at the Neah Bay weather bureau, will be transmitted and delivered to the address on payment at the station of the telegraph charge. Another notice given by the department is that the middle and north beacons on Sturgeon bank, at the mouth of the Fraser river, Strait of Georgia, British Columbia, have been carried away by the sea. It is not the present intention of this department to replace them.

The light on Brotchie ledge beacon has been changed from an occulting to a fixed white light, the occulting light having proved unsatisfactory. It will be removed as soon as weather permits landing on the beacon. The Brotchie ledge beacon is thus described in a notice to mariners just issued by the department of marine. The light is shown from a square structure with sloping sides, enclosed and painted white, standing 8 feet above the deck of the beacon. Its position is Lat. N. 48 deg. 24 min. 26 sec. Long. W. 128 deg. 23 min. 40 sec. Temporarily the light is a fixed white light. It is elevated 18 feet above high water mark, and should be visible 8 miles from all points of approach. The illuminating apparatus is a pressed glass lens. The lamp is a thirty-day oil lamp, on the Wigham principle, and is not constantly tended by a keeper. Absolute dependence cannot therefore be placed on the light.

The bark Jane A. Falkenberg, which was reported sold some time ago, but then the sale was not consummated, has been sold by Mr. Bullen, who purchased her at the auction sale, when she was sold under the direction of the collector of customs to satisfy the salvage claims of the Lorne. The purchasers were the Seattle & Yukon Trading Co. The deal was made by Mr. Wood, president of the company.

Steamer Aorangi will sail at 8 o'clock this evening from the outer wharf for Honolulu, Brisbane and Sydney. About 2,500 cases of salmon for Australia will be loaded at the outer wharf. Among those booked to sail on her are: F. Grimme, Mrs. Vierke and daughter, J. Stewart, for Honolulu; Mrs. Conway and daughter, G. H. Jones, P. Peterson and Thos. Ormstown, for Auckland.

Steamer Yosemite is lying at Turner-Beeton's wharf and gallons of water are pouring over her decks, for two steam pumps—an extra one was put in last night—are kept constantly going to keep the water down in her hold. She will go around to the drydock to have repairs made to her hull on Monday, when the D.G.S. Quadra leaves the dock.

There is still no word of the long missing steamer Wolcott or the Excelsior, which went to search for her. The Wolcott is out 60 days from Sitka for Western Alaskan ports. The round trip usually occupies a month.

The Islander will not leave Vancouver until 3:15. She is waiting for the train, which is two hours late. This will also delay the sailing of the Aorangi.

Tug Lorne towed the bark Erroll to sea to-day loaded with lumber for the United Kingdom.

British ship Kinkisad has arrived at Liverpool with salmon, 124 days from this port.

Steamer Willapa is scheduled to sail again for the West Coast to-morrow evening.

Steamer Cottage City will sail for Alaskan ports on Monday morning.

A loaded four-masted schooner passed Otter Point in-bound at 11 a.m.

Steamer Walla Walla is due to-night from San Francisco.

Steamer Glenogle is due on Sunday from the Orient.

Steamer Danube is due from the North on Sunday.

Political Situation

Some Leading Vancouver Liberals Opposed to Hon. Mr. Martin.

No New Developments--And No Additions to the Cabinet.

There is nothing new to record in political circles. Mr. Martin has not announced any new accession to his cabinet, and from statements made by him does not appear to be in a hurry to fill the vacancies. In the absence of better news the opinions of some leading Vancouver politicians will be interesting.

A. E. Howse.

Mr. A. E. Howse, of Similkameen, a supporter of Hon. Mr. Martin's policy, was in the city yesterday. A petition is is in circulation in West Yales to request Mr. Howse to contest the constituency against Mr. Charles A. Semlin. Mr. Howse will probably be prevailed upon to enter the field.

Frank Higgins.

Frank Higgins, while at Vancouver on his way to Calgary, said to a reporter: "No supporter of Mr. Martin could get a seat in or around Victoria. Friends of Mr. Yates, who has been announced as one of Mr. Martin's colleagues, are sincerely sorry that he has acted as he has done, and hope that he will, as some expect him to, retire before he is too badly tarred with the Martin brush."

James McQueen.

James McQueen, Vancouver, a member of the Provincial Liberal executive, said to the Province that he had been most pronounced in advocating party lines ever since he had resided in British Columbia, but he feared that now, when the first opportunity had arrived to take a stand in that direction Mr. Martin's personality interefered seriously with the proposition. He feared that a surreptitious attempt would be made—he would not say by which party—to slip into power in the confusion and heat of conflict. He thought that whatever was done should be done open and above board. He said if Mr. Martin was to be opposed he should be opposed as an undesirable man to send to Victoria as the head of the government. As a politician he thought it would perhaps be impossible to have the Liberal party unite upon Mr. Martin as their leader.

J. H. Senkler.

J. H. Senkler, Vancouver, is quoted by the Province as saying: "I am sorry that the majority of Conservatives of Vancouver will not listen to reason and sink the party line question temporarily to crush a politician who is a menace to the province, who if he succeeds in seizing office will bring the ridicule of the American continent upon Vancouver, who will drive capital from the country and put back Vancouver ten years. I was born and bred a Liberal and am Liberal to the backbone, but unlike many strong Conservatives, I will sacrifice all my political feelings and my desire to see the Liberal party supreme, and vote for the rankest Tory they can bring out rather than that this evil should be brought upon the province. It is very aggravating that the Conservatives of Vancouver should attempt to force party lines; should throw down the gauntlet to the Liberals of this city; extremely annoying, that owing to a sense of duty above party that gauntlet must be left unlifted, but I think the better element of the Liberals in Vancouver think as I do, and rather than Martin should sit in judgment at Victoria we will let the Conservatives of Vancouver, who have declared for party lines, have their way and vote against Martin independent of politics."

D. G. Macdonell.

D. G. Macdonell, vice-president of the Liberal Association of Vancouver, expressed himself as somewhat at sea regarding the political situation. "In the first place," said Mr. Macdonell, "I wish to correct the statement that I have been asked to join Mr. Martin's cabinet. I have no ambition in that direction, and I do not wish to mix myself up prominently in politics. As for supporting Mr. Martin I hardly know how to express myself. Personally I am very friendly with Mr. Martin, but politically I am opposed to him owing to his attitude to the Liberal party at Ottawa and his attempt to knife that party. On the other hand, if Mr. Martin is elected I believe that Ludgate will build his mill on Deadman's Island unopposed and that we will have the V. V. & E. railway running through the Boundary country at the earliest possible moment, owned by the government, tapping the great iron mines and mineral camps and causing the erection of smelters at our very doors and the great impouring of wealth to Vancouver. As it is, the Crow's Nest road is diverting our trade and we need this eastern road badly which can be so altered from its present route as to easily tap the Great Northern and Northern Pacific roads. Mr. Martin is solid on those points, and as a unit I would personally support him, but as a political leader I cannot do so. Mr. Martin says that he will abide by the convention to be held by the Liberals whether he will run on party lines or not, and if the convention decide against party lines he will run as a unit and will hope for their support as units. Then arises the question of what status Mr. Martin will take as a unit. The question is very much involved at present, but I say this, that strong Liberal as I am, if I am compelled to vote, I would sooner vote for a declared Conservative running in the interest of the Conservative party in British Columbia, than for Joe Martin running as the leader of the Liberal party in this province."

The Premier.

Hon. Joseph Martin went over to Vancouver this morning to be present at the meeting of Vancouver Liberals this evening, when he will deliver an address outlining his policy. A lively discussion is looked for.

Vancouver Conservatives.

Vancouver, March 9.—At a private meeting of the executive committee of the Conservative Union, held in Vancouver on Wednesday afternoon, it was decided that no Conservative Association or executive had the power to depart from the Western platform. Sir Hibbert Tupper was present, though not a member of the executive, and explained his position at length.

No Relative.

Mr. Smith Curtis, Minister of Mines, desires the Times to contradict the report which appeared in the Colonist and other papers to the effect that he is a relative of the Premier. He is not connected with Mr. Martin in any way, either by marriage or by blood relationship.

Sporting News.

BASKET BALL.

TO-MORROW NIGHT'S MATCH.

A great amount of interest is being manifested in the international exhibition match in the drill hall to-morrow evening between the J. B. A. A. and the Seattle Athletic Association teams. The team to represent Victoria was selected yesterday as follows: Guards, Finlaison and Galbraith; centre, Smith; forwards, Burns and Stephen. The names of the Seattle team were published in these columns last evening.

LAWN TENNIS.

NO QUORUM.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club was not held last evening as announced, there being no quorum. An adjournment was consequently taken until Tuesday evening, March 20th, in the smoking room of the Victoria cafe.

THE TURF.

AN ADDITIONAL EVENT.

The Victoria Hunt Club has decided to add another race to the programme for their spring meeting. The event will be called "The Victoria Sweepstakes," and the prize will be a cup provided by the club. The conditions are as follows:

A flat race of about one mile, for horses the bona fide property at the time of entry of members of the V. H. C. Any member of the club entitled to ride. Weight 140 lbs. Entrance fee $10; entrance fees to go to the winner. Four starters or the race declared void. Entry, which closes at midnight on April 7th, to be made to the secretary Victoria Hunt Club, Work Point Barracks.

GYMNASTICS.

REGULAR WEEKLY CLASSES.

The regular weekly meeting of the various gymnastic classes in connection with the Fifth Regiment in the drill hall last evening was largely attended, not only by participators in the various exercises, but by an interested and appreciative audience. Each of the classes is making excellent progress, particularly the sword class, Instructor Thompson, R. N., being now engaged in initiating his pupils into the beauties of the Italian system of fencing. Under Prof. Foster, the boxing class is advancing rapidly, a large number of votaries to the manly art demonstrating, under their instructor's able charge, science to a marked degree. The wrestling is also well attended, being under the competent instruction of Gr. Peden. The horizontal and parallel bar exercises, the club swinging and all the other departments of athletic training are participated in with a vigor and spirit which are essential in the physical equipment of those who attend.

BILLIARDS.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 9.—Geo. Wheelock, who is in Paris, has arranged a match between Geo. Slosson, of New York, and Maurice Vigneaux, the champion billiardist of Europe.

THE RING.

McGOVERN v. GARDNER.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 9.—Much interest is being taken in the featherweight championship battle, which is scheduled to take place to-night at the Broadway Athletic Club, between McGovern and Gardner. The men are to fight at 122 pounds for the world's championship and a wager of $2,500. McGovern is the favorite.

THE EX-CHAMPION SUED.

According to information from New York, Bob Fitzsimmons, ex-champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, has been sued by Ernest Roebler, his burly wrestling and boxing partner for $1,750, which he claims is due him for services. The case is to be heard in the Supreme court.

WHIST.

J. B. A. A. TOURNAMENT.

The whist tournament of the J. B. A. A. in the club house last evening was very well attended, the first prize consisting of a handsome pipe and case, being won by A. McLean. The second prize was carried off by Mr. A. J. Dallain, consisting of a beautifully encased miniature representation of an Egyptian amulet or love charm.

THE HUNT CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

The spring meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club will be held on April 10th (Easter Monday) and promises to be productive of a good deal of interest. The committee in charge have arranged for a number of events, which they anticipate will bring out many competitors.

PAPER CHASE TO-MORROW.

The Victoria Hunt Club will hold a paper chase to-morrow afternoon, commencing at the Gorge bridge. Members are requested to meet at the rendezvous at 2:30 o'clock.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

COLUMBIAS v. VICTORIA SENIORS.

To-morrow afternoon at the College grounds, Beacon Hill, the Victoria seniors and the Columbias will try conclusions. The Victoria team will be represented by the following: Goal, Jones; backs, B. Schwengers and H. A. Goward; half backs, Johnson, Lorimer and Rutherford; forwards, Shandley, Hunter, Noot, Livingstone and L. York. Both teams are in good trim, and a hard game may be looked for. The ball will be kicked off at 2:30 sharp.

HOCKEY.

PRACTICE MATCH TO-MORROW.

Weather permitting, the Victoria Hockey Club will hold a general practice on their grounds at Oak Bay park to-morrow at 2:30 p. m. This is the first practice since the last match with Vancouver, and as the next game comes off the end of this month, everyone must turn out and play. To-morrow week, 17th inst., the club will have a big mixed match, England vs. Colonies, with from fifteen to eighteen players a side, when anyone wishing to see the game will be welcome. Teams for to-morrow's match will be chosen by the vice-captain and secretary.

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